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ISRAELI FORCES MISTAKENLY KILL THREE HOSTAGES DURING GAZA OPS

The three were shot after the troops mistook them for threats during an operation in Gaza City, Israeli Army spokesperson Daniel Hagari said

FORCES IGNORED WHITE FLAGS, HEBREW PLEAS

They were shot even as they carried a white flag and cried for help in Hebrew, an initial probe has found. Upon seeing them, one of the soldiers shouted "terrorists", and the troops opened fire, hitting two of them. The third one ran into a building to take cover, but was found and killed. The three were Yotam Haim, Alon Shamriz, and Samer El-Talalqa | **P12**

HUNDREDS TAKE PART IN TEL AVIV PROTEST

- An Israeli official said the troops were under pressure after days of heavy fighting in the area. Hamas fighters have used deceptive tactics to lure Israelis into traps, a possible reason for ignoring Hebrew pleas
- It comes as Israel is facing growing calls to end the fighting. Hundreds gathered at Israel's ministry of defence in the city of Tel Aviv to protest

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PEOPLE ARE STILL HELD HOSTAGE BY HAMAS IN GAZA STRIP

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Cops to question Simha tomorrow over House pass

Sixth accused remanded in police custody; he helped Jha destroy mobiles of all others

UJWAL JALALI @ New Delhi

MYSURU BJP MP Pratap Simha, who cleared the passes for the accused in the Parliament security breach case, is likely to be questioned by Delhi Police on Monday. According to sources, Simha is currently not in the national capital.

Simha will be asked on what basis he issued visitor passes to Manoranjan D and Sagar Sharma, according to sources. Whenever a visitor pass is issued, a parliamentarian gives an undertaking saying the visitor is known to him.

The two accused who entered the Lok Sabha on Wednesday used passes recommended by Simha. Manoranjan belongs to his constituency and is said to be a frequent visitor to his office. Reports said Manoranjan made several requests to Simha and his office for the pass in last three months. Simha's office sought to defend him, claiming MPs generally entertain such requests from people of their constituency.

Pratap Simha

Delhi Police in Lucknow

Delhi Police teams are in Lucknow and Latur to find out the cavity-designed shoe and coloured smoke canisters the accused used in Parliament

Despite flak from the Opposition both inside and outside Parliament demanding Simha's resignation, the BJP MP has so far not responded. He, however, met Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla after the massive security breach. On Saturday, Birla wrote to all MPs saying that he had formed a 'high-powered committee' to review Parliament security and formulate an action plan to ensure that such incidents do not recur.

Meanwhile, the sixth accused in the security breach case, Mahesh Kumawat, was formally arrested on Saturday. Later, he was produced before a court, which sent him to seven-day police custody. Mahesh was present outside Parliament on the day of the incident along with mastermind Lalit Jha and another accused named Kailash. After the incident, Mahesh and Jha fled to Rajasthan and stayed in a hotel booked in Mahesh's name. Sources said that Mahesh helped Jha in the destruction of mobile phones in Rajasthan. Mahesh has been booked on charges of criminal conspiracy and destruction of evidence.

Meanwhile, the special cell has directed the family members of Manoranjan not to leave the city without prior permission. **P5**

Navy intercepts ship hijacked by pirates

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Indian Navy became the first responder to a maritime crisis as it quickly reacted to an SOS message from a hijacked ship in the Arabian Sea and intercepted the vessel.

The Navy deployed its naval maritime patrol aircraft to track the movement of the hijacked vessel that was moving towards the coast of Somalia, according to a statement.

After the aircraft located the vessel, the Indian Navy diverted its warship from Gulf of Aden. The hijacked vessel was intercepted Saturday morning,

the Navy added.

The Malta-flagged cargo vessel called MV Ruen with 18 crew on board gave a distress signal on December 14, indicating that six pirates had boarded the vessel.

The overall situation is being closely monitored in coordination with other agencies in the area, the Navy said. The navies of Spain and Japan, too, have responded to the situation.

Until 2017, ships travelling near Africa were attacked by Somalian pirates. Counter-piracy efforts were then put in place by various countries to deal with the menace.

The Indian Navy said it is committed to ensuring safety of merchant shipping along with international partners and friendly foreign countries.

EXPRESS READ

KMF to offer buffalo milk from this month

Bengaluru: The Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) will start selling buffalo milk from December 21-22 across the state. KMF Managing Director MK Jagadish said around two years back, the federation was selling around 4,000- 5,000 litres of buffalo milk, but stopped due to shortage of supply. **P2**

Govt not interested in continuing paid parking

Bengaluru: After receiving mixed responses from the public to paid parking system in the city, the state government has decided not to continue it further. Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike officials stated that the paid parking system came to a halt on Cunningham Road due to traffic problems. **P2**

Mock drills to check Covid preparedness

Bengaluru: With Covid cases rising in neighbouring Kerala, mock drills will be conducted at government hospitals across Karnataka to check the state's preparedness to handle any sudden surge in cases. **P3**

On day of I.N.D.I.A talks, Kejri to leave for Vipassana

ASHISH SRIVASTAVA @ New Delhi

ON the day the Opposition I.N.D.I.A bloc will hold seat-sharing talks at its fourth coordination committee meeting here, Aam Aadmi Party's national convenor Arvind Kejriwal will leave for a Vipassana meditation session at an undisclosed location for 10 days.

The Chief Minister's Office informed that Kejriwal will be unavailable from December 19 to 30 as he is due to participate in his annual Vipassana retreat. Vipassana sessions mandate that the participant stays out of contact with the outer world and observes complete silence.

Kejriwal's itinerary became known a day after the Congress announced the date of the I.N.D.I.A meeting.

There were some who sought to infer that the AAP may be playing hardball in sharing Lok Sabha seats with the Congress in Delhi and Punjab.

STRIPPING CASE

B'gavi woman to get 2 acres, ₹5L as relief

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Belagavi

THE state government announced 2.03 acres of land and Rs 5 lakh as compensation to the woman who was stripped and tied to an electric pole by a group of people at New Vantamuri village near Belagavi recently. The victim suffered the humiliation on December 11 after her son eloped with a girl in the same village.

The government ordered the allotment of land under the Land Ownership Scheme through Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation. PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi said the corporation too approved the land without delay.

Meanwhile, the Belagavi police arrested three more accused on Saturday, taking the total number of arrests to 11. The arrested are Santosh Basappa Nayak, Shobha Rajappa Nayak and Lakkavva Yallappa Nayak, all residents of Vantamuri.

Belagavi Police Commissioner SN Siddramappa suspended Police Inspector of Kakati police station Vijaykumar Sinnur as the incident occurred in his jurisdiction. **P5**

Civic workers from Koraga community denied homes

PRAKASH SAMAGA @ Udupi

PEOPLE in Byndoor town of Udupi district seem not so kind to the tribal group, Koragas, as civic workers from the community are being denied homes on rent because of their caste.

Around 25 civic workers attached to the Byndoor Town Panchayat are finding it difficult to rent houses for the last two to three weeks. They were recently transferred from Udupi CMC to Byndoor and reported to work from December 1. Though some of them were able to rent a house in the town initially, they were evicted within two days after the landlord found out their caste.

One of the civic workers, Rakesh, said, "As we don't have houses here, we shuttle between Udupi and Byndoor spending Rs 100 for train fare every day. We have to start at 3 am from Udupi to report to work on time in Byndoor, which is 70 km away. We are upset that we are denied accommodation despite we keeping the town clean."

Laxman, zonal convener, Koraga Sanghatane, Byndoor, said it is a disgrace that Koraga people have been subjected to inhuman treatment. "The district administration should step in and provide them accommodation. There are PWD quarters in Byndoor and they can be renovated and given to these civic workers," he said.

Udupi Deputy Commissioner Dr Vidyakumari said she will verify the availability of PWD quarters and make sure that these civic workers will get a place to stay soon.

Tiger prowls, it's curfew in 3 villages near Mysuru

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mysuru

A tigress and its two cubs have strayed into farmlands in three villages near Mysuru, making life miserable for villagers for the last three weeks. The tiger family, which has been sighted by many villagers and also caught on camera traps, has been roaming in banana plantations, sugarcane fields and shrubs. The stray cats have brought life to a total standstill with a curfew-like situation in Chikka Kanya, Dodda Kanya and Bythahalli villages.

Scared villagers have been staying indoors, while children are not venturing out to play near fields or on the outskirts of the villages. Farmers, who were expecting bumper crops, have not been able harvest their crops nor water their fields.

Those going out to work and attending to daily activities are doing so in groups and are moving around, preferably, in four-wheelers. Nobody goes out after sunset and the forest department's efforts to trap the wild cat have proved futile.

A tent set up by forest officials to monitor the tiger at Doddakanya village in Mysuru | UDAYASHANKAR S

Basavanna, a farmer in Dodda Kanya, returns home with his cow by 3 pm, which is at least three hours earlier than normal as he is scared of a tiger attack. He is also worried that the tigress could take away his only milching cow that earns him livelihood.

This is the time horse gram and green gram are harvested, but fields have been left unattended as labourers are not willing to work. **P5**

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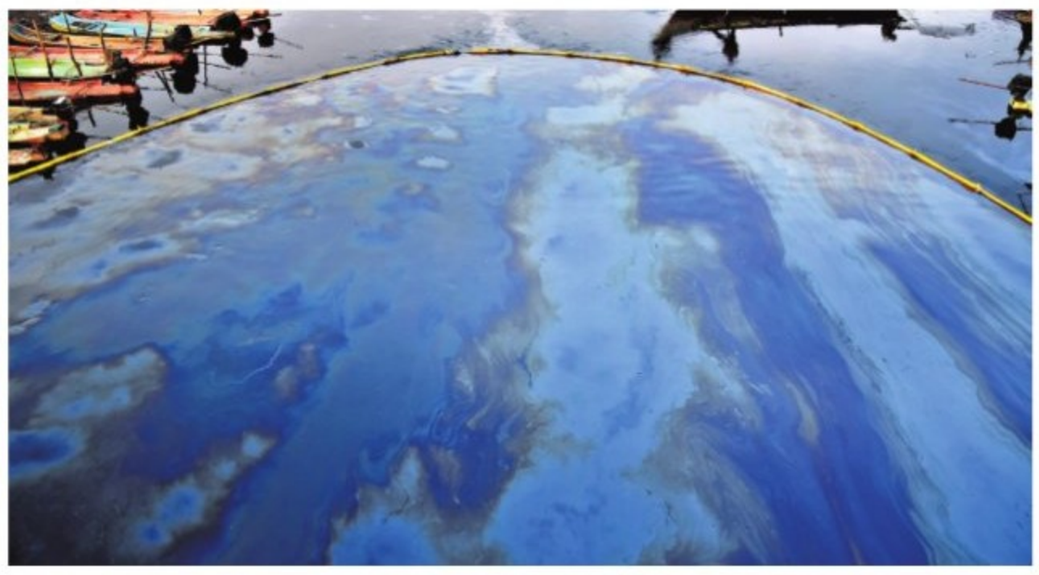
UNDER THREAT

A CPCL team working to stop the spread of oil slick at Ennore Creek in Chennai. The environmental hazard is now threatening 30 villages near the Pulicat lake | P RAVIKUMAR | **P5**

KSDL getting sandalwood oil from Oz

HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE @ Bengaluru

FOR the last 107 years, Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Limited (KSDL) has enraptured the state with its sandalwood soaps. However, dwindling sandalwood tree cover in the country, apart from the need to serve diverse customers, has prompted KSDL - the maker of iconic 'Mysore Sandal' soap - to reimagine its strategy, with an investment of Rs 500 crore.

KSDL claims to be the only manufacturer globally to use natural sandalwood oil for soap production, justifying its premium price tag. But rampant illegal felling and smuggling of sandalwood trees in Karnataka has compelled the company to explore other geographies for a steady flow of the most important raw material -- sandalwood oil.

The company is importing the oil from Australia. Last year, it imported 4,000 kg and will increase it to 7,000 kg this year.

Simultaneously, the government has started a plantation drive, signing MoUs with 700 farmers in Karnataka, translating to 4,000 acres of land to grow sandalwood. "Earlier, sandalwood, wherever it was grown, was state property. Now, the government has removed that clause, and facilitated farmers to grow trees in their own fields. They can sell the trees to the forest department or KSDL after a 20-year period (when the trees are mature enough to yield wood)," said MB Patil, Large and Medium Industries and Infra Development Minister. **P9**

3 picked up from TN in Yogeeshwara kin's murder

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE murder of MLC CP Yogeeshwara's 62-year-old brother-in-law P Mahadevaiah is said to have been almost solved with the arrest of three suspects from Tamil Nadu. The mastermind, Murugesh (40), was earlier working in the fields of the MLC's brother in Channapatna and was known to Mahadevaiah.

Murugesh found out that Mahadevaiah had recently got Rs 7 crore after selling a property. Assuming that the money must be in the victim's farmhouse at Vaddaradoddi in Channapatna taluk, he along with his two associates killed Mahadevaiah to make away with the cash. But the victim had kept the money in the bank.

Murugesh was reportedly removed from the job three months ago, but he continued to stay in the locality, making a living by catching fish. He kept visiting Mahadevaiah at the farmhouse and supplying him fried fish, all the time hatching his plot. **P5**

HISTORIC WIN

Jemimah Rodrigues takes a selfie with the team after beating England | SPORTZPICS

India women spinning new tale in Test matches

KALYANI MANGALE @ Navi Mumbai

VICTORY in Test matches is always special, especially for the romantics. In the days dominated by shorter formants and instant results, the longer format gives a different kind of joy to the players in whites. And if you are India women playing home Test after a gap of nine years, the victory would not just be sweet but historic as well.

There are quite a few firsts too. There were three debutants and nine players donning the whites for the first time at home. Add Harmanpreet Kaur's debut as captain to lead the team to record 347-run win against England, it would definitely be recounted with pride in the years to come. The joyous celebration — one of the stars of the Test, Jemimah Rodrigues taking a selfie lying on the ground — said it all. After leading England by 478 runs on Day Two, where as many as 19 wickets fell, India set a huge total for England to chase. The vistors were never going to get close to it. What makes this win even more special is that this is India's third win at home with the first one coming in 1976 under the leadership of Shantha Rangaswamy. Second win was in 2014.

England, one of the two sides that regularly play Tests along with Australia, looked out of sorts in the longest format after winning the T20I series this month. India were at their dominant best, but bigger challenge awaits against Australia in Mumbai. **P15**

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• Nakshatra: Sravana 7.57 am • Moon in Kumbha Rashi • Rahukaala: 04:30 pm to 06:00pm
• Gulikakala: 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • Yamaganda: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER | MIN 19°C | MAX 26°C | FORECAST Overcast

Sunrise 6.34 am | Sunset 5.56 pm | Moonrise 10.36 am | Moonset 10.27 pm

Divya Tejaswi decorates dolls depicting different marriage rituals including haldi and bridal entry | EXPRESS

DOLL DECOR

Handmade dolls are making their way to wedding ceremonies, baby showers and other occasions

GARGI DESHPANDE @Bengaluru

DOLLS are a part of a bride's narration from when she is a child. She learns to dream of her dream wedding through the eyes of a doll, playing with them and planning a doll wedding and a perfect home. So it is only natural that dolls and dreams come full circle at a bride's wedding. South Indian weddings, especially, celebrate a special custom of displaying miniature dolls depicting the beauty of Indian weddings and their customs, beautifully weaving nostalgia and hope as a part of the special day.

This tradition, unique to South India, is now witnessing a wider audience, as people from other parts of India are also keen on making these dolls a part of their wedding customs. Traditional antique clay and wood dolls are passed down to the bride as a keepsake from her maternal family, and the more modern dolls are decorated in a narrative fashion and displayed for the guests to admire and enjoy.

Divya Tejaswi is a doll maker/decorator who works on the modern art of doll making, a talent she inherited from her mother. She has been designing dolls for her clients, to be displayed at weddings and be gifted to guests. Named after her mother, Lalitha Dolls is where she not only found her calling but also ensured that many handicraft workers found their recognition.

Lalitha, who was a biology teacher at a school in Bengaluru, lost her job during the Covid pandemic, and after spending a lot of time trying to figure out her true calling, sat down one day to decorate her daughter's dolls, and discovered her unique talent. "After personalizing my daughter's dolls for the first time, I simply uploaded pictures online for fun, and got an almost immediate response for the dolls. In fact, in a matter of days, I got my first ever order online for 20 personalized dolls from someone who wanted to gift them. This came as a blessing and there has been no looking back from that day."

Divya Tejaswi

"My first design was something of an experiment. After that, for a long time, my clients have guided me, based on their requirements for the occasion. I would customise dolls, and this was something not many would be willing to do. From planning, sketching and detailing of the scenes, we need to ensure that we are able to do justice to the client's requirements as well," she said.

Ceremonial ideas

What started with just one person decorating dolls to cater to a niche audience, has now become a full-blown space for women using their talent to support their families as well. "Today, many women are a part of Lalitha Dolls, either on a temporary, seasonal basis, or as permanent employees. We make dolls not just out of plastic and synthetic material, but also knit body parts of dolls using eco-friendly materials like wool and thread. While the market for this may still be growing, we are glad to have been able to bring more innovative ideas into the market."

Other than wedding ceremonies, these dolls are now a part of baby showers, naming ceremonies and birthday parties. Displaying dolls for ceremonies is not just a custom anymore, it has become a statement at weddings where the dolls are displayed on a special stage.

Knitting dolls

Just like Divya, there is another artist who makes eco-friendly dolls. For 68-year-old KS Nagamani, knitting is a part of her life. Nagamani has been knitting from a young age, and has single-handedly completed many sets of dolls that are displayed at festive occasions, including Dasara. While woollen dolls are not very popular at wedding decorations yet, people are experimenting with them as well.

KS Nagamani

Speaking to TNSE, Nagamani's daughter Roopa explained that knitting has been something that her mother has been pursuing as a hobby for years. "We used to encourage her to knit, and she would knit table covers, and wall hangings for the home, or toranas which would add an aesthetic value. However, she was never big on putting her art for sale earlier. Over time, she took it upon herself as a challenge to try and knit dolls, which she was able to complete in a short time span. She then turned to knitting dolls on a regular basis."

A native of Kattehosahalli, a remote village in Holenarsipur taluk, Nagamani found more exposure to her art after marriage. "After completing her first doll, she created more dolls by knitting, and decided to display them for Dasara. After displaying individual dolls for a couple of years, she decided to complete her set with only knit dolls for this year's Dasara. Most of the year went in completing different sets of dolls that she had planned, and she was able to display the entire set with more than 20 dolls."

"It was then that many people took notice of her art, and she saw a potential in her art form. She has always flown solo, and I am so proud of her that even at this age she is able to do everything all by herself," added Roopa.

It is people like Nagamani who prove that age is no reason to stop working on something you love. With handmade dolls gaining popularity not just as a festive decoration, but also as gifts, the art of creating and weaving them is becoming a trend. An artform that otherwise goes unnoticed, doll making has found a platform and recognition in today's tech age.

Dolls knit by Nagamani on display at Dasara and other festive occasions | VINOD KUMAR T

PURAN CHOUDHARY @ Bengaluru

Inclusivity through nature

IN the bustling metropolis of Bengaluru, where the Garden City is fighting a tough battle against concretisation, an initiative is redefining the narrative around disabilities, and has thus created a sustainable, scalable project with inclusivity at its core. "Disability is not a matter of charity; it is a right-based approach. Every individual, regardless of their abilities, has the right to be present in all facets of life, just like the right to education. To truly support people with disabilities, we must embrace a holistic approach that recognises and addresses their comprehensive needs," says Dr Senthil Kumar, CEO of the Association of People with Disabilities (APD).

Keeping this in mind, the organisation set up an Inclusive Sustainable Horticulture Centre. Situated between Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology and NIMHANS, the seven homes housing 425 residents under the Correctional Institutions Complex (CIC) will be provided with sustainable livelihood opportunities, post training. The facility includes people with diverse needs, with intellectual disabilities, vulnerable women, and children who have been rescued from abuse, abandonment, forced labour, and other unfortunate circumstances.

"The question of whether a garden is necessary for disabled people is not just about plants; it's about fostering an environment where everyone feels integrated, valued, and included. We wanted to shift our perspective from charity to holism, paving the way for a more inclusive and integrated society where everyone can thrive in the mainstream," he says.

An occupational therapist is also working with 114 screened members, who are already part of the initiative.

Thought for environment

The centre goes beyond conventional notions of rehabilitation and is not confined to four walls; it includes eco-therapy for intellectually-disabled men and women and environmental education for children at the Boys and Girls Homes within the complex. With a bonus for the environment, a wet waste management solution will be introduced that will utilise kitchen waste generated within the complex. "Through this programme, someone who has been considered a burden by their families will be productive, financially independent and will also be able to support their families," emphasises Dr Kumar.

The roots of inspiration for this transformative project can be traced back to the founder's connection with nature. Spending time in the serene landscapes of Lalbagh, NS Hema, the Founder of APD, discovered the calming influence nature could have on her mind. She later went on to create a horticulture centre in Jeevan Bhima Nagar. This barren piece of land, once ignored, has now blossomed into a space of renewal and hope for disabled people. The idea also is that nature, when harnessed with purpose, can become a powerful catalyst for change in the lives of those often marginalised by society.

The sustainable horticulture initiative caters to 114 residents of Correctional Institutional Complex (CIC). Young residents learn about soil health and how to sow seeds | EXPRESS

PROGRAMME GOALS

1. Gardening and plant nursery activities to develop skills, provide eco-therapy
2. Environmental education for children
3. Hands-on training for beneficiaries, followed by practical experience
4. Mentorship for participants to ensure high-quality production
5. Occupational therapy and counselling for participants to monitor and enhance their progress
6. Wet waste management for the complex

Dr Kumar explains, "When someone is engaged physically, there is also mental engagement. These individuals, for over a month since the project started, have been learning to socialise, help each other and pick up skills that can help them find jobs as gardeners and caretakers in the future."

The 32,000 sqft horticulture centre is a tripartite collaboration between APD, the Department of Women and Child Development, and Bosch. It was inaugurated in November. The therapeutic training interventions will be done for six months and followed up with six more months of regular practice of skills as a vocation in growing plants and maintaining the nursery.

Shiva Hiremath, Director – Policy and Advocacy, APD, says that when a small team visited all the homes and did an intervention, they found that not all the homes can give holistic growth to their inmates. "The government doesn't have the funds or manpower to do that. We wanted to make them a part of the society. This centre should become a long-term impactful project. Even for the staff who are stressed with handling the inmates, ecotherapy can be a positive reinforcement," says Hiremath.

As a side note, he also opines that just putting inmates in cells is not comprehensive rehabilitation. "In the coming years, mental illnesses are going to be the largest disabilities. Replicating this model will be good, which will help the environment and also be a way for people to de-stress while learning new skills," he shares.

The carefully designed centre attempts to help the beneficiaries build hand-eye coordination, improve cardiac health and develop problem-solving skills. "We have also tweaked the gardening tools and equipment, which are specifically made so that beneficiaries do not harm themselves and are easy to use. The centre is also designed keeping in mind wheelchair accessibility at the ground level," says Jagnesh, an occupational therapist.

The curriculum formulated by APD between Monday and Friday engages individuals for over an hour, every day. As a positive response, many have started looking forward to their sessions and enjoy being one with nature.

Textiles secy visits units in Bengaluru

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RACHNA Shah, Secretary, Ministry of Textiles on Saturday visited the Central Silk Board, Bengaluru. She also visited the Silkworm Seed Production Centre under the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) and the Central Silk Technological Research Institute in the CSB secretariat campus.

Rachna also visited the Indigenous Automatic Reeling Machine and other machineries for reeling and processing developed by Central Silk Technological Research Institute (CSTRI). She appreciated CSB's support for the positive impact made by buniyaad reeling machines on the life of women who depend on tasar culture in tribal states like Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand.

She also visited the Product Design, Development and Diversification (P3D) Centre that focuses on product engineering, silk blends, designing fabric structures and product development of silk clusters. She was keenly interested in silk denims, knitwear and silk sarees

VARIETY FARE

KMF to sell buffalo milk from December 21, 22

BOSKY KHANNA
@Bengaluru

TO cater to the rising demand from consumers, the Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) is all set to sell buffalo milk.

The sales will start from December 21 and 22 in markets across the state and will be priced around Rs 70-75. The final price is yet to be decided, a senior KMF official said.

KMF Managing Director MK Jagadish told *The New Sunday Express* that initially, half-litre milk packets will be launched. Two years ago, KMF was selling around 4,000- 5,000 litres of buffalo milk, but stopped due to shortage of supply. "Sales and supplies will commence shortly and a spurt in demand for buffalo milk is expected, alongside cow milk and its products," he added.

The milk will be procured from farmers in Vijayapura and Belagavi as all the unions do not have enough buffaloes to supply milk. There are sufficient buffaloes in North Karnataka, which is why milk will be procured from there. Depending on the market and demand, the procurement will increase, Jagadish said

Another KMF official said there is rising competition from other brands in the supply of milk, and Nandini and KMF do not want to lag behind in any product. There is already intense competition for the supply of ghee and milk. "Organisations, including private and religious, contact us for milk, ghee and butter. We qualify in technical details, but lose out in financial bids. We recently lost the bid to supply ghee to the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam Trust Board for laddoos," the official added.

KMF now sells 46 lakh litres of milk and 10 lakh litres of curd every day in the State and across borders.

GITAM, Coventry University sign MoU

Bengaluru: Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM) and Coventry University in London, United Kingdom signed an agreement on Saturday, to explore potential opportunities to collaborate and develop their research portfolios. The MoU will discuss opportunities for joint research, joint funding applications, faculty development, student exchange and joint academic activities. The agreement also aims to develop areas of potential collaboration including agroecology, water and sustainability.

Engineering students should be exposed to latest tech: DCM

ENS @ Bengaluru

DEPUTY Chief Minister DK Shivakumar on Saturday extended the government's support to the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in organising international events in Bengaluru.

At the valedictory of the five-day Excon-2023, the 12th International Construction Equipment and Construction Technology Trade Fair at Bengaluru International Exhibition Centre (BIEC), Shivakumar suggested to CII that prime industrial bodies should ensure that engineering students are exposed to latest technology through participation in events.

CII Southern Region Chairman Kamal Bali said CII is looking forward for support from the government, industry and academia to work together in the interest of economic and social growth of the country. "The key takeaway of Excon-2023 is the speed, the velocity of the change and the efforts put in towards decarbonisation, maturity of the Indian industry and transformation in technology," he remarked.

3D concrete print tech to build house in 5 days

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A BENGALURU-based company claimed to construct a home in a span of five days using their 3D concrete printing machine technology. The 3D concrete machine developed by Ajax Engineering is a fully automated building construction technology wherein a robotic printer deposits the concrete layer-by-layer as per the design and special concrete.

"The printer can translate any Computer-aided Design (CAD) into a physical object. The technology was showcased by constructing a 350 square metres house in three days which conventional building methods usually take months to construct," said Shubhabrata Saha, MD and CEO of Ajax Engineering.

He claimed they are the first company to develop such a 3D printer technology in India and added, "With this printer, one can construct a building as large as 10 metres in length and width and 9 metres in height."

No new paid parking system in city for now

ENS @ Bengaluru

AFTER receiving mixed responses from the public, pertaining to paid parking in the city by the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) on contract basis, the State government is no longer interested in starting the same in new places.

BBMP officials stated that the paid parking system came to a halt on Cunningham Road due to traffic problems. Besides, tenders which the BBMP had called to start the paid parking system in various places, at the cost of Rs 36 crore, have seen no bidders.

"We called for tenders twice but no bidder came forward. We suggested Rs 30 for an hour for four-wheelers and Rs 20 for two-wheelers. The rates were however to be revised depending on the zones and roads. A list of roads were identified with the help of DULT, post a detailed survey but nothing moved forward. We spoke to the government but they asked us to stay the idea," a senior BBMP official said. In 2020 the BBMP had introduced smart paid parking system on 10 city roads. The list included- Cunningham Road, MG Road, Kasturba Road, St Marks Road, Residency Road, Museum Cross Road, Vittal Mallya Hospital Road, Vittal Mallya Road, Church Street and Ali Asker Road.

The Karnataka High Court has issued a notice to the Department of Transport and Director General and Inspector General of Police (DG&IGP) on a public interest litigation over implementation of law on wearing of safety harnesses and crash helmets by children while pillion riding

Woman, hubby honeytrap bizman, nabbed

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IN a bizarre honey-trapping incident, a person who allegedly used his wife as bait to extort a 48-year-old businessman from Lancer Road in RT Nagar, has been arrested by the Central Crime Branch (CCB).

The sleuths also arrested the woman, along with three others. The main accused had introduced his wife as a widow to the victim, and the two developed a physical relationship. She then booked a hotel room in RR Nagar at the behest of her husband. Unaware of a plot, the victim went there, and was attacked by the accused, who demanded Rs 6 lakh. The incident came to light after the businessman approached police on Wednesday.

The accused are identified as Sabha, her husband Khaleem Mohammed, Obed Khan, Atheeq, and Abdul Rakeeb.

Mohammed reportedly visited the victim's shop in RT Nagar two months ago and had taken his mobile number. Twenty days later, Mohammed called the victim and introduced his wife as a widow and asked him to take care of her. The woman allegedly began visiting the victim at his house and the two allegedly got into a physical relationship. Sabha is also alleged to have been taking monetary benefits from the complainant.

"On Wednesday, the victim went to meet Sabha in a hotel room near RR Nagar Metro station. When he took her out for lunch, the other four accused stopped them and attacked the victim. The accused forcibly took his money, before threatening him to pay Rs 6 lakh, failing which they said they would reveal everything to his family. The accused also threatened to kill him if he did not pay up," said an officer.

Following a complaint from the victim in the RR Nagar police station, the case was transferred to CCB, whose officers made the victim lure the accused near the RR Nagar Metro station to collect money. When the gang arrived, the CCB sleuths arrested them. The police suspect that the gang must have extorted money from other businessmen with the same modus operandi. An autorickshaw, a two-wheeler, Rs 4,000 in cash and six mobile phones have been recovered from the accused.

A case of extortion by putting any person in fear of death or of grievous hurt (IPC Section 386), along with other Sections of the IPC have been registered against the gang members.

CCTV footage reveals car ran over 3-year-old

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THE post-mortem report of a suspected unnatural death of a three-year-old girl shed light that she was fatally run-over by a vehicle. The incident happened on December 9 when Arbina was playing near the gate of her apartment in Bellandur police station limits. A car heading outside the apartment failed to spot her and ran over her.

Police said the parents saw the child with bruises and injuries and immediately rushed her to NIMHANS for treatment, where she was declared dead. Bellandur police registered a case of unnatural death. The body was shifted to St John's Hospital for postmortem and doctors found signs of internal bleeding in the head following which they alerted the police.

The police accessed the CCTV camera footage and found that the child was run over by a car. In the CCTV clip, the child could be seen playing outside the apartment gate. A car that was exiting from the apartment hit the child first and then the rear wheel ran over her. The child was seen getting up after the car ran over her and was seen playing with another child for a few seconds before collapsing, police said. The police have identified that the accused is a resident of the same apartment. The Bellandur police, who initially registered the case, transferred it to the Bellandur traffic police station who have issued a notice to the car driver. They are yet to arrest the person.

82-year-old dies by suicide after writing death note on wall

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An octogenarian has hanged himself after writing his death note on the wall with a piece of chalk, addressed to the city police commissioner. He died by suicide at the residence of one of his daughters at Kumaraswamy Layout 2nd Stage on Thursday.

The victim was reportedly cheated of his property by his wife, another daughter, a grandson and one of his son-in-laws. In his death note, he has expressed his pain for not being able to stay in his property during the fag end of his life and for being neglected despite requesting the accused to take care of him. The victim is said to have had properties in Nagarbhavi, Kothanur and Sarakki Layout. The accused have allegedly registered his properties in their names through fraudulent means, police sources said.

The victim, KB Puttasubbaiah (82) -- a retired NGEF employee, committed suicide in the rented duplex house of one of his daughters. The incident came to light around 9.30 pm.

The victim's nephew Nilakanta M, a resident of Sarakki Gate on the Kanakapura Main Road, filed the complaint against the victim's 65-year-old wife Malamma, daughter Vimala and two other men identified as Shekar and Mahesh. Shekar is the son-in-law of the victim and Mahesh his grandson. The victim has five daughters, of whom Vimala is the eldest. "Of the four suspects, Shekar and Mahesh are absconding. The two women have been notified about the complaint. Since they are yet to complete the rituals, they have not yet been questioned. The victim has used a bedspread to hang himself. The room where he died by suicide was locked," said an officer.

A case of abetment to suicide under Section 306 of the Indian Penal Code has been registered against the four suspects.

The Kumaraswamy Layout police have registered a case.

CJI pats K'taka HC for e-initiatives

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CHIEF Justice of India D Y Chandrachud said the Karnataka High Court is showing the way to the rest of the country by adopting "amazing" e-initiatives and he is deeply impressed by the works it is implementing.

He also appreciated the HC for disposal of a record number of 1.69 crore cases across the state in 2023.

Speaking after launching e-initiatives of the Karnataka HC on Saturday, the CJI said the administrative judges of the high court have to focus on the data of cases pending and disposal available on the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG) about each district court and make use of the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to dispose of the oldest cases.

Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud speaks after launching e-initiatives of Karnataka High Court on Saturday

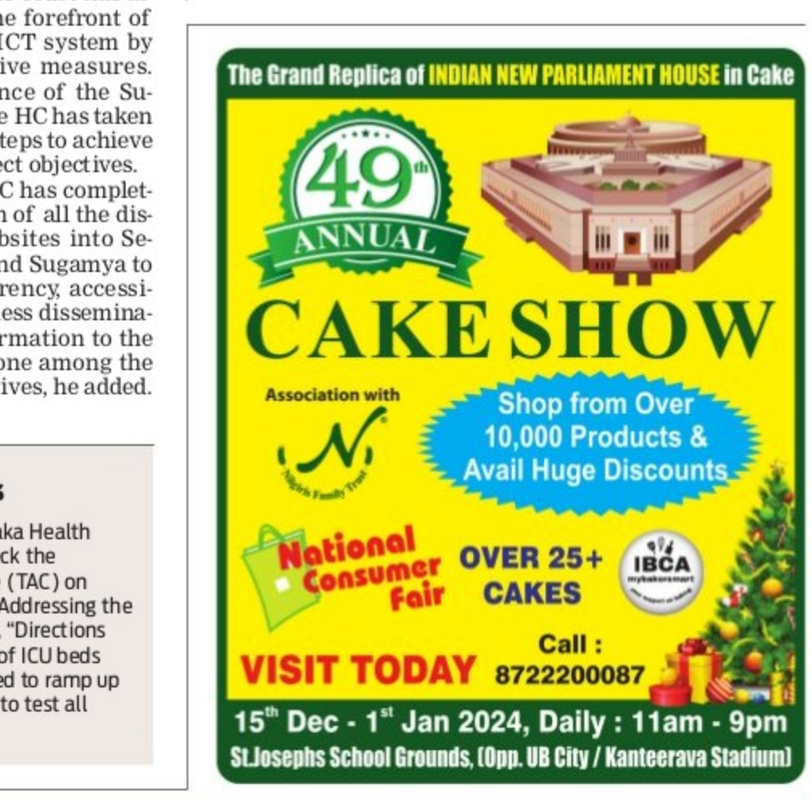
The CJI said many pending cases are beyond the control of district judiciaries because the accused have absconded. To quote, 1.85 lakh cases are pending because the accused have absconded and one of those cases was 33 years old, he said.

Giving insight into the various e-initiatives, Chief Justice of the Karnataka HC Prasanna B Varale said the court has always been in the forefront of improving the ICT system by taking innovative measures. With the guidance of the Supreme Court, the HC has taken citizen-centric steps to achieve the e-court project objectives.

He said the HC has completed the migration of all the district courts websites into Secure, Scalable and Sugamya to ensure transparency, accessibility and seamless dissemination of the information to the public. This is one among the various e-initiatives, he added.

Govt hospitals to take up mock drills to check Covid preparedness

Bengaluru: In the backdrop of rising Covid cases and the death of a patient in Kerala, Karnataka Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao said mock drills will be conducted at government hospitals to check the preparedness to handle any sudden surge in cases. He said the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on Covid-19 has been convened under Dr K Ravi, head of the Department of Medicine at BMCRI. Addressing the media after holding a meeting with officials of the health department on Saturday, Rao said, "Directions have been issued to purchase Covid testing kits. Mock drills will be held to check the number of ICU beds and availability of oxygen and medicines." Stating that government hospitals have been asked to ramp up the testing and for now will test only those who have symptoms, Rao said, "There is no need to test all those returning from Kerala at bus stands, railway stations and airports." **ENS**



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AAP state president Mukhyamantri Chandru said he will organise the party on the lines of Delhi and Punjab units to wrest power in the state. Chandru said the party will strengthen from the grassroots in all districts apprising them of corruption in the administration, anti-people policies and the anti-incumbency against the BJP at the Centre and Congress in the state

'WILL MEET INDUSTRY ON JOBS FOR KANNADIGAS IN PRIVATE SECTOR'

THE president of Kannada Sahitya Parishat is the only representative who is elected exclusively by Kannadigas. The 26th KSP president, **Mahesh Joshi**, in a free-wheeling interview with the *TNSE* team, spoke on a wide range of topics including measures taken by KSP to save Kannada, Kannada schools, job reservation for Kannadigas, teaching Kannada to those who do not know the language and others.

What was the outcome of the recent Kannada Sahitya Parishat meeting on Public Interest Litigation to be filed to save Kannada schools?
When I contested KSP polls, I had stressed on saving Kannada schools and making Kannada the language of livelihood. I won the election with a record margin. This means they believed what I said. Sahitya Parishat is not Sahiti (writers) parishat, but a common man's parishat. Soon after I took charge, we amended the KSP bylaws to safeguard Kannada, Kannadiga and Karnataka development. The number of Kannada schools and children studying in these schools is coming down. One of the main reasons is the lack of basic amenities in these schools. There is already a suo motu case, which the High Court has taken up, that is about lack of basic amenities in schools. Some of these schools do not have proper buildings, toilets, drinking water and other basic necessities. We took up these issues during our meeting, which was attended by many dignitaries, including retired judges of the High Court and Supreme Court, writers, religious heads, politicians, Kannada organisations and others. All of them came forward to become part of the PIL along with KSP. Till now, no judges have become a part of any PIL. When actor Puneeth Rajkumar was alive, we had a conversation and he was eager to join us in saving Kannada schools. We are involving his family members in our campaign. Earlier, when the government tried to make Kannada as the medium of instruction mandatory, it was defeated in the Supreme Court, saying it was unconstitutional. We are not stressing on this, but saving Kannada schools and providing better amenities will be part of our PIL.

Does it also include Kannada schools outside Karnataka?
Yes. There are technical issues as the Karnataka High Court's jurisdiction may not reach till there. We are discussing it with legal experts. As the Karnataka government is providing grants to these schools, we hope they will come under our purview. KSP is not just about literature or giving awards, it will also fight for the cause of Kannada through all means, including legal.

But why have you decided to file the PIL? Why did you not approach the government?
I have written letters to the chief minister many times. I had said if the government does not respond, we will take the legal route to save Kannada schools. We don't know if our pleas have reached the CM at all. All these years, if the KSP president wanted to meet the CM, it was given priority. This is because this post has respect as it is elected by only Kannadigas. Also, KSP is an independent body and not associated with any political party. For us, a government is not Congress or BJP, but a Kannada government.

Do you think Kannada has been implemented at the government level?
It is not given priority or implemented as it should be. Many circulars and orders have been issued, but neglected by officials. There is no instance of a minister or the CM taking action against officials. Kannada should be in administration. Recently, the CM said all files that go to him should be in Kannada. After much pressure, the previous government passed the Kannada Language Comprehensive Development Bill, which was gazetted too. But so far, there has been no notification from when this Act will be implemented. We are also part of the committee and only one informal meeting has been held. The Kannada and culture minister had said it will be implemented from November, but now we are in December, and nothing has been done. Also, the government should have framed the rules, but it has not been done. We don't want this Act to be like any other circular.

What is the role of Kannada Sahitya Parishat in renaming Karnataka?
Kannada Sahitya Sammelana played a crucial role in not only renaming Karnataka, but also in unifying the state. KSP was set up in 1915 and it demanded that Kannada-speaking people, scattered in over 22 fragments, be united. At the Akhila Bharatha Kannada Sahitya Sammelana in 1930, Alur Venkata Rao said that KSP should lead the unification effort. Legendary Kannada poet and Jnanpith awardee KV Putappa (Kuvempu) had decided he will not chair the Akhila Bharatha Kannada Sahitya Sammelana till the unification. He only presided over the Sammelana in Dharwad after the unification in 1956. Further, it was Kannada writers, especially Chaduranga, who convinced then Chief Minister D Devaraj Urs to name the state Karnataka, though he was in favour of Mysuru.

Despite all your efforts in organising the Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, there were some allegations and a parallel Sammelana was organised in Bengaluru...
The allegation was that I had given little space for Muslim writers at the Sammelana. I was given the task of organising the Sahitya Sammelana and not any religious fair. There were allegations that I was in favour of right-wing and RSS. I am not right or left. As KSP president, I am neutral and there was no discrimination by caste, creed or religion. All I can say is that only a fruit-bearing tree is stoned and not a barren one.

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The tenure of KSP president was extended from three to five years...
The extension was decided by the court and I don't wish to comment on it. I had opposed the extension on ethical grounds that a voter would have cast his vote and elected you as the president for a particular tenure and if that is extended, it will not look good.

Your opinion on job reservation for Kannadigas in the private sector?
We want it. But we are also aware of the recent Haryana High Court judgment that job reservation for locals in the private sector is against Articles 14, 16 and 21. We are exploring legal options and will also hold meetings with industrialists.

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You wanted to hold the next Sammelana in Mandya. But it was declined because of the drought in the state...
Seven taluks in Mandya district are drought affected. We are not so insensitive that we savour 'holige tuppa' (a traditional sweet dish with ghee) when our countrymen are suffering because of drought. But despite announcing that this year's Dasara will not be extravagant, the government spent Rs 50 crore. The Sahitya Sammelana is the only festival celebrated exclusively by Kannadigas. We will urge the government to hold the sammelana in February.

What is the financial status of KSP?
KSP has been receiving funds from the state government ever since HD Deve Gowda was chief minister. Depending on KSP presidents' rapport with chief ministers, the funds get allotted. Last year, Rs 10 crore was granted for KSP's regular activities. Of this, Rs 5 crore was diverted for the Sahitya Sammelana in Haveri. There were two budgets presented -- one by BJP and the other by Congress. By now, we would have received funds in three instalments, but we haven't. We are expecting funds from the government.

Kannada writers are receiving threats and some have sought police protection...
We live in a democracy and everyone has the right to express their feelings. We all come from different schools of thought and just because you do not like one, you cannot threaten that. Writers have the responsibility to highlight the problems of society. As KSP president, I condemn such threats and urge the government to take stern action against those involved.

What plans on digitising KSP operations?
It has already been done. When KSP started in 1915, there were restrictions as there was no provision to use technology. But when I took over, I made the provision with amendments by setting up a panel of 11 experts. We got the government approval within six months and that brought in an enormous change. We developed an application to register a member in one minute and introduced ID cards with QR codes. Next, we will conduct polls by using hi-tech. A member will get a call on her/his cell phone and an OTP, following which the ballot will come. Our social media presence, including on Facebook and X, is more visible now.

The Kannadanudi magazine, which was in print, has been wound up and digitised. We are now sending out the online magazine, allowing free download. Earlier, it was a burden to dispatch copies to 4 lakh subscribers. Some 40,000 copies used to be returned to KSP for various reasons.

What initiatives have you taken to teach Kannada to those who do not know the language?
When I went to Japan, they taught us Japanese in a simple way without stressing on grammar. If we teach Kannada by using grammar, people will run away. We too must adapt to teach spoken Kannada. Japanese and Kannada have similarities. We are planning audio-visual methods.

We have many organisations, including the Kannada Development Authority and Janapada Academy. But there is a lack of coordination and duplication of programmes and projects. I brought this to the notice of the chief minister. I am going to include it in the PIL as the tax-payers' money is getting wasted.

KSP has its own respect, Former PM Deve Gowda showed me great respect as I hold the seat that the Mysuru Maharaja held once.

We have four examinations -- 'Kawa', 'Jana', 'Ratna' and 'Pravesha' -- for which the syllabus will be simplified. A committee has been set up for that.

Earlier, Kannadigas abroad had no opportunity to become KSP members. Now they can by paying $10 fee. I have made Kannada organisations and associations abroad part of KSP. The Melbourne Kannada Koota with 18,000 Kannadigas is associated with us and gets regular updates. For the last sahitya sammelana, we had invited Rev Ferdinand Kittel's grandchildren and next time, we are planning to invite the relatives of Sir Thomas Munro (who contributed for the development of Kannada).

There is a perception that other languages, not Kannada, dominate in Bengaluru...
It is certainly true. In some residential hubs that have come up in Bengaluru recently, one cannot hear Kannada as the population of Kannadigas is less than 20 per cent. Initiatives are being taken to teach Kannada to those who do not know the language.

We have a tradition of brotherhood and accommodation to the extent that we speak to non-Kannadigas in their language which is detrimental to Kannada. Kannadigas speak to a non-Kannadiga security guard in his language instead of teaching him Kannada.

In Israel, Hebrew was considered a dying language till some time ago. But people and the government decided to speak Hebrew wherever they meet across the globe, even in the US.

When G Venkatasubbaiah was Sahitya Sammelana president, he had said in his speech that the population of Kannadigas in Bengaluru was 30 per cent. Now it has declined to 26 per cent as only street vendors and milkmen speak Kannada.

Other languages are like our aunts, but Kannada is our mother. The former cannot become our mother. Let us respect aunts, but hold the mother in high regard.

During the British era, Mark Cubbon used Kannada in administration and when he returned to England, he named his house 'Bengaluru Kannadada Mane'. When Sir Thomas Munro was Ballari deputy commissioner and became governor of Madras region, he would insist that Kannadiga officials (who tried to speak in broken English) speak in Kannada.

But these days, there is a lack of self-respect among Kannadigas. If we do not respect Kannada in Karnataka, we cannot expect it from outside.

In Germany, Kannadigas speak German at their workplace. In Sweden, in every school if there are seven students speaking that language, a teacher should be appointed. We should learn from these examples. If there are seven Kannada-speaking students in a school, we should appoint a teacher.

Need to double up efforts to set right the regional imbalance

INFRASTRUCTURE development in the Kalyan Karnataka region received a big push in the last decade or so. The quality of roads has improved. Kalaburgi and Bidar have airports, and Raichur may get one soon. Many districts in the region are well connected with the rail network. Educational institutions, especially in higher education, are on the rise.

Sadly, the positive story almost ends there. The development 'visible' to the world has not improved the quality of life in the region to the expected levels. Yadgir, Kalaburagi and Raichur are the bottom three districts as per the 2022 Human Development Index (HDI). The report prepared by the State Government looked at education, health, income generation and other parameters.

The stark disparities in development among North and South Karnataka districts remain even 21 years after Prof DM Nanjundappa's committee report was submitted and a decade after the region got special provision under Article 371 (J) of the Constitution. Over Rs 32,433 crore was spent as per the Nanjundappa committee recommendations to address the regional imbalance in Karnataka. Overall spending in the region was much higher, or at least that is what the government claims it to be.

Now, the State Government has decided to appoint a high-powered committee headed by a noted economist to look into the implementation of Nanjundappa's committee's recommendations and the outcomes. The announcement made by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on the last day of the winter session of the State Legislature in Belagavi is a welcome move as it may help understand the shortcomings.

However, simply preparing reports or marking out the regions for disparity in development is of little use, unless the government makes sincere efforts to bridge those gaps. One need not have an in-depth understanding of economics to know that the occurrence of large-scale migration from a region is a strong indicator of a lack of development and employment opportunities. Every year, a large section of people from the Kalyan Karnataka region migrates to Bengaluru, Hyderabad -- which is much closer to the region -- and other bigger cities in search of employment.

Noted economist Prof RS Deshpande says there is no proper planning and placement of the development initiatives. The development initiatives should get into the day-to-day lives of people. What is the use of airports, if a large section of people can't afford air travel, questions Prof Deshpande.

That, however, doesn't mean we don't need airports, good roads or rail connectivity. These are essential to spur economic activities and draw investments. But there is no point in solely focusing on constructing buildings, organising big functions and not taking adequate measures that have any economic gains for the population. Allocating funds to the required sectors will help improve education, health, income generation, and other important human development parameters. There is an urgent need to have more employment-oriented industries, apart from existing cement factories.

The incidence of poverty continues to remain high. As per the multi-dimensional poverty index of NITI Aayog and National Family Health Survey -4 (2015-16), nearly 42% of the Yadgir population was multi-dimensionally poor. It has reduced to 25.38% in NFHS-5 (2019-21).

The recent NFHS-5 report showed Kalyan Karnataka performing abysmally low in terms of nutrition levels. Raichur, for instance, reported stunted growth of 40% and anaemia of 74% among children below five years in 2020. It was 37% and 71% respectively in 2016.

The Kalyan Karnataka Development Board (KKRDB) that is tasked with the development of the region mostly focuses on building 'hard' infrastructure such as roads, bridges, community halls and mobility asset creation. While 'soft infrastructure' like the quality of school education, health facilities in rural areas and skill development training remain peripheral priorities. Only a small portion of funds was spent on ameliorating the human development index, while much was invested in building visible infrastructure.

Many elected representatives will be keen on investing in roads and other infrastructure as that development will be visible and can be part of their report card when they go back to people seeking votes. Corruption and leakage of funds are also a concern.

Those closely involved in administration in the region also question the manner of allocation of funds. In some cases, the allocations to schemes/works given to other regions under the general grants are repackaged in the Kalyan Karnataka region as special grants. This can hardly help bridge the gap between the backward and developed regions of the state.

Education, health and livelihood should be the priority areas, MSMEs need to be encouraged and youth should be given entrepreneurship training, says Dr Chaya Degaonkar, former Dean and Professor of Economics at Gulbarga University. She suggests conducting a social audit of the development works taken up in the region.

Special status under 371(J) has helped local youth get admission to higher education institutions, but still, a lot needs to be done to provide skill development and employment opportunities. It is time for elected representatives from the region and top officials to do some introspection and double up their efforts to develop the region on par with the rest of the state.

Appointments to boards, corpns in a week?

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister **DK Shivakumar** are embarking on a two-day tour to the national capital from Monday, where they are likely to finalise appointments to boards and corporations, following the approval of the high command.

"It is a routine visit and we will finalise the appointments in a week's time," Shivakumar told reporters on Saturday, after participating in EXCON-2023 at the Bengaluru International Exhibition Centre (BIEC).

Shivakumar had earlier hinted that the first-time MLAs will not be appointed as chairpersons to the boards and corporations and the posts will be reserved only for senior MLAs.

But the party high command delayed finalising the names, as the lobbying was intense to get plum posts by the supporters of AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge, among other leaders, within the party, apart from the supporters of Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar.

The release of the list was expected after the polls were over for five states, and now after the Belagavi winter session, the appointments are likely to take place soon, as the party has to gear up for the 2024 Lok Sabha polls by boosting the morale of the rank and file of the party, observed a leader.

In fact, AICC general secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala held some rounds of talks with both Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar in November in Bengaluru and went back to New Delhi with a list of names that were finalised. He had also held talks with some senior MLAs to convince them to take the posts, as they were sulking after missing out on cabinet berths. After holding another round of talks with the CM and DyCM in New Delhi, the high command, including Kharge and AICC general secretary (organisation) KC Venugopal, is likely to give its nod for the final list by ensuring adequate representation to communities and regions, sources said.

4.30 cr people benefited from four guarantees: Surjewala

BENGALURU: AICC general secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala on Saturday stated that so far, 4.30 crore people have benefited from the four major guarantee schemes implemented by the Congress government in the state. The state government has reserved Rs 38,000 crore for implementing the five guarantee schemes in the current year and registration for the 'Yuva Nidhi' scheme to provide financial assistance for unemployed graduates and diploma-holders will start this month, he stated. ENS

Siddu rubbishes BJP charge that Simha was trapped

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"THE IQ of the BJP leaders is quite low," said Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, reacting to the BJP's allegation that he trapped Mysuru MP Pratap Simha to field his son Dr Yathindra for the 2024 Lok Sabha election.

BJP MP Lehar Singh Siroya had claimed that Simha was trapped by the chief minister to facilitate the latter's son to contest the next year's General Election. But Siddaramaiah ridiculed his remark, when he spoke to reporters here on Saturday.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah accepting grievances from the public at Hubballi airport on Saturday | D HEMANTH

Reacting sharply to the BJP accusing the Opposition parties of politicising the issue of a security breach in Parliament, the chief minister asked, "What is politics in it? Is the security breach true or false? How does it become politicising, if they raise it?"

Accusing the BJP of politicising the Belagavi incident in which a woman was stripped, paraded naked and assaulted, Siddaramaiah said the incident is highly condemnable, and the culprits should be severely punished. Moreover, he said, the government has taken measures as per the law and acted swiftly in arresting the accused. Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara met the victim and assured her of government help.

Siddaramaiah, however, shot back by asking, "What does the BJP national president have to say about their own MLA in Uttar Pradesh being convicted of raping a minor?"

When asked about the demand to name Mysuru Airport after Tipu Sultan, the chief minister replied that it was an individual's opinion and the government has not taken any such decision.

Urging the state government to completely waive off farmer loans and announce Minimum Support Price guarantee, Karnataka farmers will hold a mega national convention at Freedom Park, Bengaluru on Dec 23. They will also meet the Chief Secretary and submit their demands

Students moved to another school

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SHIVARANJAN told his son to stay back in Bengaluru as he could not pick him up at Kadakola railway station at 8.50 pm nor drop him in the early hours fearing tiger movement. "How long can we make children and family members stay indoors?" he said.

Waseer took the TNSE team around the village and showed them the spot near the government school where he and his brother sighted the tigress and its cubs on an evening recently. This put an end to students and teachers attending school. They have now shifted to the Moraji Desai residential school complex.

The villagers are angry with the authorities as power supply is cut at night pushing families living in farmhouses to stay in the dark. "How can we live with single-phase power when tigers and leopards are prowling in the fields," they asked.

"How can the forest department catch the tigress if they arrive at the spot nearly three hours after we alerted them," asked a villager.

Forest officials are using drones and cameras and have put up a watchtower, where field staff are stationed, at Chikka Kanya. "It is difficult to track the tiger as non-agriculture land is filled with grass and shrubs. This gives the animal a wide scope to hide or relax deep inside," said a forest officer, pleading anonymity.

The field staff have appealed to villagers not to venture out in the evening and to avoid visiting the fields. They have shared their phone numbers with the villagers to alert them in case the tigress is sighted.

CPCL team puts a stopper to the oil leak at Ennore Creek in Chennai | P RAVIKUMAR

Eco-sensitive Pulicat coast sees oil slick

SV KRISHNA CHAITANYA @Chennai

THE oil slick that was creating havoc in north Chennai for the past 10 days has now reached Pulicat coastal waters and inland Buckingham Canal, which is tidally connected to the Pulicat Bird Sanctuary.

Pictures shared by local fishermen with TNIE on Saturday showed the presence of thick tar-like oil balls along the coastline between Koraikuppam and Kattupalli. Although the quantity was not alarming, the fact that oil slick managed to reach Pulicat is worrisome as these waters are rich fishing grounds for over 30 coastal villages and a biodiversity hotspot for thousands of migratory birds that congregate every year.

R Vinod, a fisherman from Koraikuppam, said fishermen started seeing the tar-like oil sludge beaching on the coastline since Saturday afternoon. "The smell of oil was noticed both in sea water and Buckingham canal. We received information about oil sludge on the Pulicat bar mouth too."

When contacted, a senior government official said the tar balls found in Pulicat coast were the last stage of oil spill dispersal. "Once volatile compounds evaporate, the remaining matter becomes tar balls. All oil escaped into the ocean will form into tar balls and will beach in coming days before the north and south of Ennore. This is expected in oil spill areas."

Durai Mahendran, general secretary, Tiruvallur District Traditional United Fishermen Association, claimed fish kill being reported in some places. "We request Chief Minister MK Stalin to intervene and offer relief to the fishermen."

A report filed by the authorities claimed that there is no oil sludge on the surface of sea water. Environmental engineer, who was part of the team, said the situation would be monitored continuously and an inspection will be carried out on Sunday as well.

The local block development officer has asked Minjur panchayat union officials to give safety equipment to sanitary workers.

Belagavi assault: HC restricts visitors

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

THE Karnataka HC on Saturday restrained any persons, groups, associations, political parties and the like from visiting the woman who was assaulted and paraded naked in Belagavi district, without prior written permission of the medical officer in-charge, or the doctor, of the hospital where she is being treated.

The court, however, said family members, official representatives of statutory authorities or investigating agencies can visit the victim in a need-based manner. Taking up the matter on urgency, a division bench of Chief Justice Prasanna B Varale and Justice Krishna S Dixit passed the order after taking cognisance of the report aired by a national news channel that representatives of the National Human Rights Commission and a delegation of a political party will visit the victim.

"People visiting the hospital to see the victim, in these circumstances, is not unusual. This court normally would not like to restrict the freedom of movement of any citizen; however, considering the fact that the victim has suffered unbearable trauma and she is undergoing medical treatment, in our opinion, the flow of visitors is likely to affect the victim's health condition and disturb the ongoing treatment as well. Therefore, we deem it appropriate to restrict visitors," the court said.

The court, which is monitoring the matter by taking suo moto cognisance, passed an order restraining news channels from telecasting the interaction between the victim and Women and Child Development Minister Lakshmi Hebbalkar.

BJP to take up case in Parliament tomorrow

Bengaluru: BJP Bengaluru North MP and former chief minister D V Sadananda Gowda said the incident wherein a woman was paraded naked in Belagavi district will be taken up in the ongoing Parliament session on Monday. Gowda, who took part in a protest along with BJP Mahila Morcha members in Bengaluru on Saturday, said they have already brought the case to the notice of the central government and a team of women MPs deputed by the party's central leadership has visited the village. The police stopped Gowda and other protesters from heading towards Home Minister G Parameshwara's residence and detained them.

BJP panel, NWC, NCST members meet victim

Belagavi: After public outrage over the incident of assault on a woman from Vantamuri near Belagavi who was also stripped and tied to an electric pole, after her son eloped with a girl, on December 11, a fact-finding committee of the BJP comprising several party MPs visited the victim and took stock of the case on Saturday. National Commission for Women and National Commission for Scheduled Tribes members also visited the victim separately at the district hospital in Belagavi. The BJP fact finding committee comprised Aprajita Sarangi, Sunita Duggal, Locket Chatterjee, Ranjeeta Koli, BJP national secretary Asha Lakra visited the victim's home at Vantamuri and interacted with the family.

LS security breach: Family of accused confined to Mysuru city

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Mysuru

The Special Investigation Team (SIT) probing the Parliament security breach case is likely to bring intruders Manoranjan and Lucknow-based Sagar Sharma to Mysuru as they had met here in May and planned the attack.

The Central Intelligence team investigating the case has directed family members not to leave the city without prior permission. The family has been asked to receive all the phone calls.

Manoranjan, a resident of Vijayanagar, had taken Sagara Sharma to his house and introduced him as his classmate.

MP Pratap Simha's supporters in front off his office in Mysuru on Saturday.

The police will bring both intruders to conduct mahazar and also visit the hotel where Sagar stayed.

Meanwhile, the BJP has launched a campaign 'We Stand with Pratap Simha' and have raised slogans in support of the MP who is being under fire from the opposition for issuing passes to intruders.

BJP leader Y V Ravishankar said the saffron party is in no way associated or has any links with Manoranjan. He said the party has accepted the security plea and the six accused in the Parliament breach case are in no way connected to the BJP. He maintained that Simha had issued the visitor's pass as he was a resident of his constituency.

Meanwhile, Karnataka Dalitha Panthers leader Giriyanna wanted the Supreme Court judge to investigate the Parliament security breach incident.

Cops had a stroke of luck

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THE police had a tough time tracing the accused as they were not using mobile phones. The police got solid clues on their whereabouts when one of the accused was bitten by a snake and had to be admitted to hospital. Police picked him from the hospital and the other two from their hideouts.

Murugesh, who was seen in the locality till Mahadevaiah went missing, suddenly disappeared, giving first clues about his involvement in the crime.

Police also went through the CCTV footage of Male Mahadeshwara Temple and got strong leads.

The Ramanagar district police had registered a case.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BALASORE

By E Mail/e-Despatch E Mail ID serw_balasore@yahoo.in, Ph-No-06782/260318, Balia, Balasore

"e" Procurement Notice for Bridge Work

O-1825 **Identification No.- Online Tender- Bridge NCB No. 64 of 2023-24**
Letter No. 6150/ WE Date. 15/12/2023

1. Name of the work :- Bridge works
2. Total No. of work :- As per annexure
3. Estimated Cost :- As per annexure
4. Eligible Class of Contractor :- as per annexure.
5. Period of Completion :- As per Annexure
6. Other details

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender On-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification.	Date & Time of Opening of Tender in O/O C.C.E..R.W. Circle, Balasore	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Balasore	NCB No.- 64 of 2023-24	22.12.2023 at 11.00 A.M	05.01.2024 up to 5.00 P.M.	04.01.2024 up to 5.00 P.M.	06.01.2024 at 11.00 A.M.	Will be intimated later

Further details can be seen from the website: **www.tendersodisha.gov.in**

OIPR-25105/11/0080/2324

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, R.W. Circle, Balasore.

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NO.DUDC/CBP(1)CR /45/2023-24 Date:13.12.2023

Tender Notification

(1) Project Director, District urban development cell, Chikkaballapur invites tenders from the eligible tenderers, for the construction of work detailed in the table below. **(1) Name of Work:** Processing and Disposal of Legacy waste at SWM Sites located at Puttathimanahalli village CMC Chikkaballapur , Hithalahalli village of CMC Sidlaghatta, Kanishettyhalli village of CMC Chintamani, at Iduguru village of CMC Gowribidinur limits Kashapura village of TMC Bagepalli as per Central Pollution Board Guidelines. **DMA/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT4795. Estimate Cost of Work: Rs. 1167.18/- lakhs. Amt put to tender: Rs. 1148.58/- Lakhs.** (Excluding GST). **E.M.D: Rs. 15/- Lakhs. Period of completion: 9.83 Months(Including monsoon). Tender document procedure as per KTPP rules 2000 shall be followed. (1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-procurement websites **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** and calendar of events as below. **(1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-procurement websites **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** and calendar of events as below. **(1)** Pre-bid meeting (Venue-DUDC office): **22.12.2023 11:00 AM. (2)** Last date & Time for receipt of tenders: **16.01.2024,17:30 PM. (3)** Date & Time for opening of **Technical bid: 18.01.2024, 11:00 AM. (4)** Date & Time for opening of Financial bid: **20.01-2024,15:30 AM or Later. (2)** Head of account: Swach Bharth Mission 2.0 & Municipal Fund. **(3)** Tenders must be electronically submitted in e-procurement portal. **(4)** Further information, if required, can be obtained from the office of the Executive Engineer, DUDC, FA-07, DC office complex, Chikkaballapura during working hours. Any change in calendar of events (if any) will be published in e-procurement portal only. No Paper notification will be given.

Sd/- Project Director, District Urban Development Cell, Chikkaballapur District

DIPR/CHIKKABALLAPUR/R.O.No:174/KSMC&A/2023-24

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

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VEHICLE AUCTION SALE NOTICE

OFFERS ARE INVITED FROM PUBLIC FOR PURCHASE OF BELOW MENTIONED VEHICLES TO BE AUCTIONED BY CANARA BANK REGIONAL OFFICE NORTH, BENGALURU-560 001.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described movable property/ies Hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Regional Office Bengaluru North, Bengaluru, will be sold on **"As the condition where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **28.12.2023,** for recovery of dues mentioned below (with further interest and charges there on) due from the Regional office Bengaluru North, Bengaluru, of Canara Bank from **the respective borrowers.**

Sl No	Dp Code	BRANCH NAME	Name of the Borrower	Vehicle Make & Model	Registration No.	Reserve Price (In Rs)	EMD Amount	Bid factor amount	Contact Details
1	10423	KG HALLI	RAVI KUMAR	BAJAJ TOURER	KA 05 AC 4841	5000	500	1000	Branch Manager 9620994171
2	10423	KG HALLI	AKTHAR ALI SHAIKE HUSSAIN BEE	TATA INDICA	KA 03 AD 4473	72000	7200	5000	Branch Manager 9620994171
3	10459	BANASWADI	VELLADURAI	NISSAN XV	KA 01 AG 2372	190000	19000	10000	Branch Manager 9902314748
4	10483	SANJAY NAGAR 2	PATTAPI RAMAN	TATA INDIGO ECS LX TDI LMV (yellow board)	KA 03 AE 4627	324000	32400	10000	Branch Manager 8978139525
5	10483	SANJAY NAGAR 2	N LINGARAJU	KWID (yellow board)	KA 02 AG 0396	445000	44500	20000	Branch Manager 8978139525
6	10483	SANJAY NAGAR 2	ANAND G E	NISSAN SUNNY DCI XL	KA 05 AG 5242	392000	39200	10000	Branch Manager 8978139525
7	1381	COX TOWN	SIDDIQE	APE CITY	KA 53 C 2581	70000	7000	5000	Branch officer 9247314355
8	1381	COX TOWN	ILIYAZ	APE CITY	KA 03 AD 3175	35000	3500	5000	Branch officer 9247314355
9	1381	COX TOWN	NISSAR AHMED	APE CARGO 600	KA 02 AF 5660	30000	3000	5000	Branch officer 9247314355
10	1381	COX TOWN	NAZEER	APE CITY	KA 03 AD 2333	40000	4000	5000	Branch officer 9247314355
11	2615	VIDYARANYA PURA	SANTHOSH N	TATA INDICA	KA 50 3870	45000	4500	5000	Branch Manager 9491312499
12	1702	VIVEKANANDA NAGAR	N SHIVAKUMAR	HONDA AMAZE	KA 01 AH 5931	280000	28000	10000	Branch Manager 6309252161

1. The Earnest Money Deposit stated above shall be deposited on or before **26.12.2023 by 4.00 PM.** The EMD amount has to be paid by Demand Draft (DD) favouring Canara Bank, Regional Office Bengaluru North, Bangalore OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/IMPS) to Account No.209272434 (IFSC CodeCNRB0006929) of Canara Bank, RO Bengaluru North, Bengaluru.
   E-Auction of vehicles will be held on 28.12.2023, between 11.00 A.M. to 2.00 P.M by the service provider.
   Interested bidders can inspect vehicles on or before 26.12.2023 between 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM during working days and satisfy themselves about the vehicles before submission of the bid.
2. The intending bidder should submit the KYC Documents along with the bid application.
3. **Successful bidder has to remit the balance amount within 7 days from the date of E-Auction,** otherwise the EMD amount will be forfeited and will not be refunded under any circumstances. It shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder to bear all the charges for conveyance, transfer registration charges, etc., as applicable.
   Authorized Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
4. For further details, please contact Senior Manager Recovery Section Canara Bank, Regional Office Bengaluru North, Bengaluru, **(Contact No- 080-22118974)** during office hours on any working day.

Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

GOVT. OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER RURAL WORKS, CIRCLE, BHAWANIPATNA

O-1828 **Ph: 06670-235504/ E-mail: serwbpt@yahoo.com**

Bid identification No.:- BPT/Online-38/2023.24 Date-16/12/2023

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS FOR BUILDING WORKS IN ODISHA NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurcrnent

1. Name of the Work : Construction of Building Works in the District of Kalahandi
2. No of Works : 02 Nos.
3. Location details : Kalahandi District
4. Estimated Cost : As per NIT.
5. Period of Completion : As per NIT.
6. Cost of tender paper : Rs.10,000/- per set.
7. Other details

Availability of tender for online bidding		Last date & time for seeking tender clarification	Date & time of opening of technical bid
From	To		
26.12.2623 11.00 A.M.	09.01.2024 5.00 P.M.	08.01.2024	10.01.2024 at 11.00 A.M.

Further details can be seen from the web site "www.Tendersorissa.gov.in"

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Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer Rural Works Circle, Bhawanipatna

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KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD

3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560009.

Tender Notification

Karnataka Housing Board invites tender from the eligible Pre qualified contractors in KHB through Karnataka public procurement portal for below mentioned works.

Last date for submission of bid: 30.12.2023 up to 4.00 PM

Sl. No.	Name of Works	Work Indent & IFT No.	Amount put to tender in Rs.
1	Construction of Post Metric Girls Hostel 2nd Phase at Hariyabbe, Hiriyur Taluk, Chitradurga District.	Tender reference Number: KHB/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT 150 & IFT No.156/2023-24 Date: 15.12.2023.	1,26,34,855.00
2	Construction of Post Metric Boys Hostel 2nd Phase at Bagalkote District.	Tender reference Number: KHB/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT 152 & IFT No.157/2023-24 Date: 15.12.2023	1,30,68,623.00
3	Construction of Smt. Indira Gandhi Post Metric Women Nursing Hostel 2nd Phase at Mangaluru (Deralakatte), Dakshina Kannada District.	Tender reference Number: KHB/2023-24/BD/ WORK_INDENT 154 & IFT No.159/2023-24 Date: 16.12.2023	1,30,64,172.00
4	Construction of Post Metric Girls Hostel 2nd Phase at Uppinangadi, Dakshina Kannada District.	Tender reference Number: KHB/2023-24/BD/ WORK_INDENT 153 & IFT No.158/2023-24 Date: 16.12.2023	1,30,52,798.00

For further information, contact below mentioned office address **Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru, Telephone No. 080-22273511/080-22100077, website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

DIPR/CP/2600/AKAR/2023-24

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru

Can Fin Homes Ltd

Can Fin Homes Ltd (Sponsor: CANARA BANK)

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POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property) [Rule 8 (1)]

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers under the said Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice on the below mentioned dates calling upon the following borrower(s)/co-borrowers/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest at contractual rates till date of realization within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowershaving failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below, against each borrower, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on dates mentioned hereinafter.

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers	Description of the property mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice	Out-standing Amount	Date of Possession
1	**Smt.Anusuyamma C W/O** Thibbaiah D K And **Shri.Thibbaiah D K S/O** Late Kadappa **Guarantor Shri.Kambegowda** S/O Channaiah **And Mr.Pavan Kumar T** S/o Thibbaiah D K	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearingKhaneshmari No.188/170 and 206/170, E khata No.152900402200400238, situated at Danayakanapura Village, Kootagal Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk, Rama nagara Dist. 562159. East To West-14.63 Mtr or 48 Feet, North To South-15.24 Mtr Or 50 Feet. in all measuring 222.96 Sq Mtr or 2400Sq Ft and bounded on the: East by: **Property of Smt.Sannamma,** West by: **House of Sri Rangaiah,** North by : **Property of Sri Doddanna,** South by : **Govt Road.**	03/10/2023	**Rs. 9,75,000/-**	14/12/2023
2	**Mrs.Manjula Chikkahanumaiah** W/o Chikkahanumaiah K **Mr.Chikkahanumaiah K** S/o Kariyappa **Mr. Sanjeev Kumar R C** S/o Chikkahanumaiah K **Mr.Raghunandan C** S/o Chikkahanumaiah K. & **Guarantor Mr.Venkataramu** S/o Doddahanumaiah	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearingKatha No.603/250, Property No.152900 102401020122, situated at Rampura Village and Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. 562160. EAST TO WEST-7.31520 MTR, NORTH TO SOUTH-9.144 MTR . in all measuring 66.89 Sq Mtr or 720Sq Ft and bounded on the: - East by :Vacant Site of Mr.Dodda Hanumaiah & Mrs.Jayamma, West by : Vacant Site of Mr.Marikenchaiah, North by: Road, South by: Remaining Property in same number.	03/10/2023	**Rs. 17,50,000/-**	14/12/2023

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of CFHL for the amount mentioned against each property along with further interest thereon till the date of realisation.

Date : 15.12.2023
Place : Ramanagaram

Sd/- **Authorised Officer**
Can Fin Homes Ltd.,

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring the notice to the General Public that my clients **1.Mr. SHAIK MUKTHER**, S/o Shaik Ahamed, **2. Mrs. YASMIN BANU**, W/o Mr. Shaik Mukther both R/at. No.790, Dargah Street, Near Abubakar Masjid, Bharath Nagar, Tanisandra, Dr. Shivaram Karanth Nagar Post. Bangalore-560077. (M) 9880761968, have intents to purchase the schedule property from the Vendor Sri. M.DEVARAJU S/o Muddaramaiah, Residing at No.30/2, D.C.S. Street, 7th Cross, 5th Main Road, Chamrajpet, Bangalore-560018, who having purchased the converted residential site layout formed by the KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD with the Joint Venture M/s L & C Builders & Developers (R) Bangalore known as KHB-L&C Silicon City, through registered absolute sale deed dated 04-09-2023. Any person's having asserting any right, title, interest, or claims, intending to oppose the purchase in any manner whatsoever, may file their objections with documentary proof within **7 days** hereof, where after, no such claims or objections will be entertained, and my client shall proceed to purchase the schedule property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Site No.923, LIG-II Category formed out of Sy.No.17/1, Known as KHB-L&C Silicon City, Situated at Hampapura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban Dist. And Site bearing K. Gollahalli Gram Panchayath E- Khatta No.1502003003010522842 and property Number as Gram Panchayath records KHB/923. And Bounded on the: **East by:** Pathway, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.922, **South by:** Site No.924. Measuring East to 16.85 mtrs. North to South 9.14 mtrs, in total 154.00 Sq mtrs or 1657.79.Sq.ft.

HAFEEZULLA KHAN .M
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Mob: 9448071528 / 9449108941,
Date: 16-12-2023

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
HYDERABAD METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD

O/o Chief General Manager (Engg), Revenue Circle, Khairatabad, Hyderabad, T.S.

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Name of the Work: Manning & Operation of Revenue Billing & Collection (Manpower, Services & materials), Data Analytics, Reports & Innovative revenue model Generations & Simulations on various Revenue Improvement aspects and consumables for a period of One Year under all O&M Divisions of HMWSSB Jurisdiction.

E-procurement No\'e' Tender No	ECV		
EP No.107 to 124 / CGM(E)/ Rev.Circle / Manning & Operation of RBC/2023-24, dated: 16.12.2023.	Rs. 97,99,837.00	Rs. 1,65,90,757.00	Rs. 1,59,29,627.00
	Rs. 1,20,25,939.00	Rs. 1,05,70,759.00	Rs. 1,12,83,859.00
	Rs. 1,22,81,437.00	Rs. 1,11,28,819.00	Rs. 1,07,97,619.00
	Rs. 1,50,55,879.00	Rs. 1,41,94,579.00	Rs. 1,36,76,179.00
	Rs. 1,45,16,179.00	Rs. 1,25,50,000.00	Rs. 1,35,61,999.00
	Rs. 1,14,84,619.00	Rs. 1,26,05,779.00	Rs. 1,11,90,259.00

1) e-Tender details & document will be available through online from the website **https://tender.telangana.gov.in** from **18-12-2023 @ 06.00 PM** and last date of submission of Technical bid of e-Tender is **27.12.2023@ 12:00 PM.** 2) Name & address of the e-Tender inviting authority: Chief General Manager (E),HMWSSB, Revenue Circle, Khairatabad, Hyderabad-04.

Sd/- Chief General Manager (Engg), Revenue Circle, Khairatabad, Hyderabad, T.S.

KARNATAKA URBAN WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD

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No.KWB/CE(B)/UGD/NGT 324/944/2023-24 Dtd: 16/12/2023

CORRIGENDUM

Sub: Tender for the work of "Providing Under Ground Drainage System to Chandapura Town including Operation & Maintenance for a period of 5 years (including 1 year DLP) as per NGT Guidelines through Design, Build, Operate and Transfer (DBOT) Mode with JV" - reg.

Ref: e-procurement tender notification no. KUWSDB/2023-24/WS/WORK_INDENT75 dt: 18.11.2023

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The revised calender of events for the tender invited vide above reference are as follows.

1.	Last date and time for receipt of tenders	20.01.2024 upto 17.30 hours
2.	Date and time for opening of Technical bid	23.01.2024 after 11.00 hours

The other terms and conditions of the bid document remain unaltered.

DIPR/CP/2605/AKAR/2023-24

Sd/- CHIEF ENGINEER (B), KUWS & D BOARD, Bengaluru

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Project Central -5 Division, NR Square, Bengaluru - 560002.

No: EE/PC-5/TEND/01/2023-24 **Date: 16.12.2023**

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)
(Through **GOK KPP Portal** only)

The Executive Engineer, (Project Central-5), BBMP invites Short Term proposals (Technical and Financial) for Appointing Consultant for the work detailed in the table below.

Name of the Project	EMD (in ₹.)
Consultancy Services for assisting in Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the Comprehensive Development of Roads by Providing White Topping in Byatarayanapura, Yalahanka and Malleshwaram Constituenciesin Bengaluru City (Package-4)	**20,250/- (To be paid through KPP Portal only)**

Calendar of Events : (1) Availability of RFP Document from **18.12.2023** Onwards (2) Last date for receipt of queries is **20.12.2023** upto **5:30** pm.(3) Date of Pre Bid Meeting at the office of the Chief Engineer (Project Central) **21.12.2023** at **3:00** pm. (4) Last date for submission of proposal is **26.12.2023** up to **5:30** pm. (5) Date of opening of Technical Proposals is **28.12.2023** after **11:30** am. (6) This tender notice can also be seen on the BBMP Website: **www.bbmp.gov.in**. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Project Central-5, Division

Karur Vysya Bank

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ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
Divisional Office Building
No. 6 Shri Vasavi Temple Road,
Near Sajjan Rao Circle, VV Puram
Bangalore, Karnataka, 560004

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd, the constructive/physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd., Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **17.01.2024** for recovery of **Rs. 2,77,90,768.22 (Rupees Two Crores Seventy Seven Lakhs Ninety Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Eight and Paisa Twenty Two only)** due to The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd, Secured.

(1) M/s. Sri Shankar Plywood & Board Industries, Having office at Plot No.361, KIADB Hassan Growth Centre, H N Pura Road, Hassan-573201, (a) Mrs. Hansa Manoharlal Patel (Sole-Proprietor) W/o. Mr. Manoharlal Vishram Patel Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan-573201, (b) Mr. Manoharlal Vishram Patel S/o. Sri. Vishram S Patel (Guarantor) Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay, Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan – 573 201.

(2) M/s. Sri Shankar Timbers A Partnership Firm, Having its Office at # 289, Mysore Road, Kenchenahalli, Bangalore – 560 059 (a) Mr. Manohar Lal Vishram Patel (Partner) S/o. Vishram S Patel Residing at Belur Road, Near M/s. Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Hassan – 573 201 (b) Mr. Hiralal Vishram Patel (Partner) S/o. Vishram S Patel Residing at Belur Road, Near M/s. Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Hassan – 573 201 (c) Mr. Manish M Patel (Partner) S/o. Mr. Manohar Lal Vishram Patel Residing at # 289, Mysore Road, Kenchenahalli, Bangalore – 560059 (d) Mrs. Neetha Manish Patel (Partner) W/o. Manish M Patel Residing at # 289, Mysore Road, Kenchenahalli, Bangalore – 560 059

(3) M/s. Sri Shankar Veneers Industries Having office at Plot No. 361, KIADB Hassan Growth Centre, H N Puram Road, Hassan – 573 201 (a) Mrs. Vandana Hiralal Patel (Sole - Proprietor) W/o. Mr. Hiralal Vishram Patel Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan – 573201 (b) Mr. Hiralal Vishram Patel S/o. Sri. Vishram S Patel (Guarantor) Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan – 573 201 (c) Mr. Manoharlal Vishram Patel S/o. Sri. Vishram S Patel (Guarantor) Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan – 573201.

(4) M/s. Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mills A Partnership Firm Having office at Belur Road, Near Vijaya Nagar Extension, Hassan- 573 201 (a) Mrs. Vandana Hiralal Patel (Sole - Proprietor) W/o. Mr. Hiralal Vishram Patel Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan – 573201 (b) Mr. Hiralal Vishram Patel S/o. Sri. Vishram S Patel (Guarantor) Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan – 573 201 (c) Mr. Manoharlal Vishram Patel S/o. Sri. Vishram S Patel (Guarantor) Residing behind Sri Shankar Vijay Saw Mill, Gudenahalli Koppalu, Belur Road, Hassan – 573 201 (d) Mr. Vishram S Patel (Partner) S/o. Late Shivaji Patel Residing at Belur Road, Near Vijaya Nagar Extension, Hassan – 573 201.

The reserve price will be **Rs. 9,75,00,000/- (Rupees Nine Crores and Seventy Five Lakhs only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 97,50,000/- (Rupees Ninety Seven Lakhs and Fifty Thousand only)**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Residential cum commercial Land and Building measuring East to West : (32.3170+46.0365)/2 and North to South (41.4634+42.9878)/2 with site measuring 1654sq.mts. and building measuring 1003 sq.mts. bearing E-Khata No. 151600603300820368, K.H. No. 255, M.R. No. 129/1990-91 at Sy No. 46/6A1A1 situated at Handinakere Dakle, Manachanahalli Village Panchayath, Guddenahalli Koppalu, Vijaya Nagar Extention, Beluru Road, Hassan-573201 Bounded on : East by : Property of Chandrashekar, West by : Road, North by : Beluru Road and South by : Property of M V Patel.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website **i.e., www.kvb.co.in/Property Under Auction** and also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

Statutory 15 Days' Notice under Rule 9(1) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the Schedule property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 15.12.2023 **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **The Karur Vysya Bank Limited**

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

ROSARB, RO, BENGALURU NORTH, 4TH FLOOR, VIJAYA TOWER, 41/2, MG ROAD, BENGALURU - 560001
Phone: 080- 25584066/368, 9603504553 & 9844142456
E-mail: SARBEN@Bankofbaroda.com, Website: www.bankofbaroda.in

SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is" and "As is what is" basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Sr/ Lot No.	NAME & ADDRESS OF BORROWER/S /GUARANTOR/ S/ MORTGAGOR (S)	Short Description of the Immovable Property with known Encumbrances, if any	A. Branch Name B. Account Number C. Total Dues	Date & Time of E-auction	A. Reserve Price B. EMD Amount C. Bid Increase Amount. D. Last Date of Receipt of EMD E. Status of Possession	Property Inspection Date (with Prior Permission from Authorised Officer)
1)	**M/s Bangalore Mart,** Rep by its proprietor **Mrs. Shwetha R**, W/o Mr. Nagaraj Gowda, R/o Ground Floor, No. 371, Ground Floor, 9th Main Road, Ramaiah Enclave Hesargatta Main Road, Nagasandra Post, Bengaluru – 560073. **Also at:** No.39/2, Santhoshima Enclave, T Dasarahalli, Peenya, Bengaluru - 560057 **Also at:** J-105, Anjaneya Block, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru- 560020 **2. Mr. Nagaraju Gowda (Guarantor),** R/o No. J105, Anjaneya Block, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru – 560020. **Also at:** 1025, Avon, Prestige Kensington, HMT Estate, Jalahali, Bengaluru - 560013.	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New No. J105, Old No.7, Anjaneya Block Road, 7th Division, Seshadripuram within the Administration of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No.77, 7th Division Seshadripuram, Pipeline B Road, Presently within Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward no.6-Dattatreya Temple, PID No. 6-36-7, Measuring East to West towards North -33 Ft. towards South 32 Ft. & North to South – 36 Ft. in all 1170 Sq. Ft. together with building standing thereon and bounded by: East by: House of Ganganna; West by: Raja Kaluve; North by: House of Rangaswamy Naidu; South by: Road left by B. Ramadas and Ashwathkatte	A. Branch : ROSARB BENGALURU North B. Cust ID: AK1V25803 C. Rs. 1,61,50,015.52 as on 09.12.2023 plus Further interest and other charges	**10.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	**A. Rs. 1,00,00,000.00 B. EMD: Rs. Rs. Rs.10,00,000.00 C. Bid Increase amount Rs. 50,000.00 D. 09.01.2024 E. Physical Possession**	**With Prior Appointment from Authorized Officer**
2)	**1 Mr.Prashanthkumar 2.Mrs. Kavithakumari.k** Flat no c-15,fourth floor,"Global Aura",Apartment,Corporation no 15,pid no 1-39-15,situated at 1st cross Road,Shabharinagara, S M Road,Near federal Bank,Jalahalli West, Bangalore-560015.	All the Piece and Parcel of Residential Property bearing Flat No.C-15, Fourth Floor, Global Aura, No.15,PD No.1-39, Sy No.14,1st cross,S M Road, Peenya, Jalahalli West, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk.-560015. Schedule property-entire land property boundaries. East by: Road and private property. West by : private property. North by: Road. South by: private property	A. Branch : ROSARB BENGALURU North B. Cust ID: FB4V18360 C. Rs. 1,50,65,011.14 as on 09.12.2023 plus Further interest and other charges	**10.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	**A. Rs. 70,00,000.00 B. EMD: Rs. 7,00,000.00 C. Bid Increase amount Rs. 25,000.00 D. 09.01.2024 E. Physical Possession**	**With Prior Appointment from Authorized Officer**
3)	**1.Mrs. Shobha K 2.Mr. Sunilnaik,** 21 2nd block,2nd main, thyagarajanagar, Bangalore north, Bangalore-560007.	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing no 116/1,BBMP katha no 2727/2622/2277/1153/1042/116/1,measuring east to west 95 ft, north to south 45 ft, East to west 15 ft, north to south 30ft. situated at kuttiyappa garden, Bilekahalli village, Begur Hobli, Bengalore south taluk, Bangalore. Residential Flat no 201 in second floor in "Pruthvi Verna" schedule 'A" property measuring 1015 sq feet of super built up area with one covered car parking space..Extended flat boundaries East By : private property, West by: Flat no 202, North by: Corridor/Road, South by: private property.	A. Branch : ROSARB BENGALURU North B. Cust ID: AJ9V25690 C. Rs. 58,50,117.96 as on 09.12.2023 plus Further interest and other charges	**10.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	**A. Rs. 35,00,000.00 B. EMD: Rs. 3,50,000.00 C. Bid Increase amount Rs. 25,000.00 D. 09.01.2024 E. Physical Possession**	**With Prior Appointment from Authorized Officer**
4)	**1.Mr. Srinivas G 2. Latha G,** #158,Kanakapura Main Road,O B Chudahalli,Udaypura, Bangalore-560082.	All the piece and parcel of Flat no 302,third floor,"pruthvi Paradise apartment ,property bearing no 378/3,Katha no 113/378/3,,ward no 192,Yajaman layout, Beguru Village,Beguru Hobli,Bengaluru south taluk-560068 Hobli, Bangalore Residential Flat no 302 in third floor in "Pruthvi Paradise" schedule "A" property measuring 1110 sq feet of super built up area with one covered car parking space. Extent. Bounded on: East by :Corridor, west by : Private property,North by Flat no 303, South by : private property	A. Branch : ROSARB BENGALURU North B. Cust ID: AK1V24429 C. Rs. 50,29,860.06 as on 09.12.2023 plus Further interest and other charges	**10.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	**A. Rs. 35,00,000.00 B. EMD: Rs.3,50,000.00 C. Bid Increase amount Rs. 25,000.00 D. 09.01.2024 E. Physical Possession**	**With Prior Appointment from Authorized Officer**

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https://ibapi.in. Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 080-25584066/ 368 Mobile: 9844142456 & 9603504553

Date: 16/12/2023, Place: Bangalore **Name: Authorized Officer, Bank of Baroda**

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is informed that. **Smt.G.Santha Kumari.,** has lost original property document i.e., original registered Sale Deed Dated 10.12.2012, registered Document no. JAL-1-03905/2012-13, CD No. JALD151, Book no.1, SRO– Jala, Bangalore, pertaining to Residential Site No.47, formed in Sy No.386/2 and 387/1, Katha No.580/1211/47, Situated at Bagalur Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. Measuring East to West 40 feet, North to South 30 feet, in totally measuring 1200 Sq feet.,. A Complaint is lodged in Bangalore City Police on dated 15.12.2023 Lost report no.0850672/2023. Finders may return the same to the above said Police Station or contact at the below address within **seven days** from this publication.

Mr. Prashanth.Kumar.K . "LEX FACTUM", Advocates and Legal Consultants, No.690, 2nd Floor, 36th Cross, 11th Main Road, Rajajinagar 2nd Block, Bangalore-560 010

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client **Mr.Vinay Karandi,** S/

TAMIL NADU COOPERATIVE SUGAR FEDERATION LTD

3-A PASUMPON MUTHURAMALINGANAR SALAI, 1st FLOOR, NANDANAM, CHENNAI 600 035. Phone : 044-24330083, 24344177. 2433 0116(Dir)
e-mail : tamilnaducoopsugarfederation@gmail.com | GST No.33AABAT0660R1Z8

Short e-Tender (on-line) Notice for sale of 282783 Quintals of S-30 grade sugar from Cooperative and Public Sector Sugar Mills in Tamil Nadu

On line bids are invited from Sugar Merchants / Wholesale dealers through short e-tender portal **https://tntenders.gov.in** for sale of 282783 Quintals of S-30 grade Sugar. The last date for submission of bids is **21.12.2023 at 11.00 AM** and Part-I bids will be opened on **22.12.2023 at 11.30 AM.** Bids in physical form will not be accepted.

All other details including detailed NIT (Notice Inviting Tender) visit the e-tender portal website **https://tntenders.gov.in**

Place : Chennai – 35
Date : 15/12/2023 DIPR/6698/Tender/2023 **Managing Director**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರ್, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ಇಲಾಖೆ
ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಹುಬ್ಬುವಾಡಾ–ಕಾರವಾರ, ಉತ್ತರ ಕನ್ನಡ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ –581301.
ದೂರವಾಣಿ: 08382–228935 ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್: 229735 E-mail: eerdwsd.uk@gmail.com
ಸಂ:ಕಾಸಿಇ/ಗ್ರಾಕುನಿನೈ/ಕಾರವಾರ/ಎಪಿ–I/ಆಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್/JJM/2023–24/2114 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14/12/2023

ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಾರವಾರ ಇವರಿಂದ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ/ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಸರಬರಾಜು ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸಿದ ಅರ್ಹ ಹಾಗೂ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಸರಬರಾಜು ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಮಂಜೂರಾದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಖರೀದಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಕಾನೂನು ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿ 2000 ಹಾಗೂ **Standard Tender Document KW- 1 & 3** ನಂತೆ ತತ್ಸಂಬಂಧ ಕಾಲಕಾಲಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾದ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಆದೇಶಗಳನ್ವಯ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ಏಟಂದಾರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ–ಆಡಳಿತ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಥವಾ ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದಂತೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿವರಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿದೆ.

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಹೆಸರು: (1) INDENT5956/Call-02 (2) INDENT1996/Call-03

(1) Downloading of document through e-proc portal: **15.12.2023 to 21.12.2023 up to 16.30 Hrs** (2) Time & date of Pre-Bid Conference: **19.12.2023 Time: 11:30 Hrs.** Venue: O/o. Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division Po: Habbuwada, Karwar- Uttara Kannada Dist. (3) Last Date & Time for Receipt of Bids: **21.12.2023 Time : 16.30 Hrs.** (4) Date & Time of Technical Bid Opening: **22.12.2023 Time : 17:00 Hrs.** (5) Date & Time of Financial Bid Opening: Will be informed to technically qualified bidders after approval of Technical Bid.

ಉಳಿದ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ,
ಕಾರವಾರ (ಉ. ಕ. ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ).

DIPR/ADK/KSMCA/450/23-24 dt.15.12.2023

INDIRA GANDHI INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH

AUTONOMOUS INSTITUTE Established by Govt. of Karnataka
(A Postgraduate Institute of Higher Medical Sciences)
Recognised Under Societies Registration Act. Reg. No. 132/85-86
South Hospital Complex, Dharmaram College Post, Bangalore-560029.
e-mail: ihealthchild@yahoo.in Website: igich.karnataka.gov.in

Date: 16.12.2023

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

(Through GoK e-Portal Platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

Tenders are invited through GoK e-procurement Platform **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** by the director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bangalore-560029 from eligible tenderers for the following mentioned hereunder :-

Sl. No.	Name of Work	KPPP Indent Number	Approx. Value of Work (Rs.)	E.M.D. in Rupees
1	Construction of Building (Third Floor) over existing OPD block at Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bengaluru	DME/2023-24/ BD/WORK_ INDENT15	1,25,66,000.00	1,88,500.00
2	Construction of RC box drain from dg room to quarters and asphalting to roads in premises of Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bengaluru	DME/2023-24/ RD/WORK_ INDENT16	38,90,000.00	77,800.00
3	Construction of FETAL medicine center adjacent to open terrace of surgery ward at second floor tower block building Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bengaluru	DME/2023-24/ BD/WORK_ INDENT17	37,08,000.00	74,200.00

Tender processing charges: **As per kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Tender documents may be downloaded from: **13.12.2023.** Last date for tender quarries / Clarification (online) : **02.01.2024 upto 4:00 PM.** Last date for Tender Document downloaded: **12.01.2024 upto 3:00 PM.** Last date and time for Receipt of Tender: **12.01.2024 upto 4:00 PM.** Last date and time of opening of cover one of tender: **16.01.2024 upto 4:00 PM.**

For further detail visit GoK e-procurement Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact portal helpdesk on **080-8046010000, 91-8068948777.**

Sd/- Director
DIPR/CP/BCPL/2601/2023-24 **Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health**

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No. 17/SBC/23 Dated: 06.12.2023

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-tenders for the following works:

SL	Name of Works	Approx. Value
1	Bengaluru – Jolarpettai Section- Construction Foot over bridge (FOB) at Tyakal station (4 Track crossing). Maintenance period is 6 months	Rs. 3,42,87,512/-
2	Bengaluru -Jolarpettai section: **Sub Work-I:** Increasing of sleeper density of existing PSC from 1540 sleeper/km to 1660 sleeper /km on up line at km 336/300-341/500 for a length of 5.2kms between Krishnarajapuram – Whitefield Panel Cabin stations. **Sub Work-II:** Increasing of sleeper density of existing PSC from 1540 sleeper/km to 1660 sleeper /km on up line at km 231/300-236/600 for a length of 5.3kms in Senior Divisional Engineer/ E/Bengaluru Section.	Rs. 73,61,753/-
3	Bengaluru -Jolarpettai section: Supply of machine crushed ballast and loading at Tyakal Depot (32600 cum) in connection with the work of Through ballast recoupment for a total length of 16.3km from 132/200-148/500 SL in Bangarpete - Kolar section in Senior Divisional Engineer/E/Bengaluru Section.	Rs. 2,85,30,151/-
4	Bengaluru -Jolarpettai section: **Sub Work-I:** Yelhanka – Bangarpet Section: Proposed construction of boundary wall at Srinivasapura station from km 103/800-104/800 on LH side (1000m) in Assistant Divisional Engineer/Bangarapet sub division. **Sub Work-II:** Whitefield - Provision of overhead tank (OHT) of 1.00lakh litre capacity at Whitefield. **Sub Work-III:** Proposed improvements to approach road at Somanayakkanpatti and improvements to second class waiting hall at Kuppam station. Maintenance period is 6 months	Rs. 1,70,39,052/-
5	Bengaluru – Mysuru Section: **Sub Work-I:** Through Fitting renewal for a length of 10.7kms from km 1/300-12/200 Down line. **Sub Work-II:** Replacement of overaged SEJ with OSC improved SEJ - 52kg - 16 Nos in Assistant Divisional Ehgineer/Mandya section. **Sub Work-III:** Replacement of overaged SEJ with OSC improved SEJ - 60kg (T-6902) - 22 Nos in Assistant Divisional Engineer/ Mandya section.	Rs. 50,30,423/-
6	**Sub Work I:** Construction of Auto Goomties (3 nos.) Bengaluru-Yesvanthpur-Yelahanka route. **Sub Work II:** Provision of Pay and use toilet at Yelahanka (PF No. 4/5). **Sub Work III:** Bengaluru – Sampige road section : Provision of pay and use toilet at Chickbanawar station. **Sub Work IV:** Yesvanthpur - Additional accommodation for RPF barrack 25 beds and construction of dining/kitchen. Maintenance period is 12 months	Rs. 2,53,19,949/-
7	Bengaluru - Arasikere section : Repairs to CC Apron at PF No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 in Yeshvantpur yard. Maintenance period is 12 months	Rs. 2,43,97,263/-
8	Bengaluru division :P.Way maintenance contract for 2 years in Senior Section Engineer/PWAY/Channarayapatna section	Rs. 7,82,30,642/-
9	Assistant Divisional Engineer/Yesvanthpur Section: Balance work of construction of Boundary wall to prevent encroachment. Maintenance period is 12months.	Rs. 6,56,33,126/-
10	**Sub Work I:** Bengaluru - Dharmavaram section : Through Ballast recoupment of Points and crossings - 4 points at Oddarahalli Yard and 5 points at Makalidurga Yard (Total 9 numbers). **Sub Work II:** Bengaluru - Dharmavaram section : Conversion of SWP to LWR for a length of 4.2 km in loop lines of Senior Section Engineer/Pway/Yelahanka section (Channasandra - Rd 1, 3, 4 and Yelahanka Road - 1, 2). **Sub Work III:** Bengaluru - Dharmavaram section : Through turn out renewal of existing 1 in 12 curved switch and CMS crossing - 08 nos., at Yelahanka yard (100A, 101A, 102B, 103A, 104A, 105A, 105B, 106B). **Sub Work IV:** Bengaluru - Satya Sai Prashanthi Nilayam - Dharmavaram sec : Through sleeper Renewal (Primary) for a length of 0.474km at 8 bridges (PD14, PD21, PD24, PD84, PD86, PD127, PD129, PD139 in Senior Section Engineer/PWAY/Sathya Sai Prasanthi Nilayam section. **Sub Work V:** Bengaluru - Dharmavaram section : Earthwork in connection with the work of "Balance works in Devarapalle - Hindupur section in connection with Yelahanka - Penukonda doubling project"	Rs. 91,60,172/-

Last date for submission of bids: **Up to 15:00 hrs. of 29.12.2023**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Engineer / Co-ord Bengaluru

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PUBLIC NOTICE

COURT SPOT AUCTION SALE in FDP No. 140/2014.

There will be an auction sale of the below mentioned scheduled property.

SPOT SALE AT THE PREMISES
Date: 19-Dec-2023 **Time:** 11 AM

Place: Premises of below mentioned property

Parties interested in bidding for the property may be present at the spot at 10.30am.

COURT SALE IN CCH-09
Date: 02-Jan-2024 **Time:** 11 AM

DETAILS OF SCHEDULED PROPERTY

Property measuring North to South 75 feet, East to West 40 feet, bearing Municipal (No. 123) No. 27, Municipal No. 4, 4th Cross, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560009, consisting of ground, mezzanine, first, second and third floor.

RESERVE PRICE:

Rs. 8,91,54,448/-25% shall be deposited by the successful bidder in favour of registrar City Civil Court, Bengaluru.

Sridhar .R, Advocate
No. 176, Ground Floor, 3rd C Main Road, Vinayaka Layout, Bengaluru-560 072
M: 9886391292

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed and requested the general public at large that, my client Sri. Krishna Reddy M., has lost the below mentioned original sale deeds pertaining to land bearing 126/10 (Old Sy No.126/2) Measuring 0-13 Guntas, Sy No.126/6 Measuring 0-22 Guntas and Sy No.126/7 Measuring 0-13.5 Guntas, all situated at Arekere Village, Hessaraghatta Hobli, Yalahanka Taluk, earlier Bangalore North Taluk on 12/12/2023, while shifting the original documents from # 33, 3rd Cross, Shanthivana, Sahakarnagar, Bangalore to our office at #71, 1st Floor, Doddaballapura Main Road, Rajanakunte, Bangalore - 560064. That if somebody finds the documents listed below, is hereby requested to send it to below mentioned my address or produce before the Kodigehalli police station as already they have lodged police complaint in that regard vide Lost Report No.0850559/2023, 0850573/2023 and 0850590/2023 all dated 15/12/2023. All persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said missing document. The list of documents lost is as follows;

1. Original Sale Deed dated 20/10/2014, registered as Doc. No.HBB-1-03432-2014-15, of Book-1, stored CD No.HBBD161, in the office of SRO, Hebbal, Bangalore pertaining to Sy No.126/10 (Old Sy No.126/2) Measuring 0-13 Guntas.
2. Original Sale Deed dated 30/08/2018, registered as Doc No.BYP-1-03156-2018-19, of Book-1, stored CD No.BYPD260, in the office of SRO, Byatarayanapura, pertaining to Sy No.126/6 measuring 0-22 Guntas.
3. Original registered Sale Deed dated 08/07/1995, registered as Doc No.1782-1995-96, Book-1, Vol No.760, Page No.174-180 in the office of SRO, Yelahanka, pertaining to Sy No.126/7 Measuring 0-13.5 Guntas.

PRAKASH PATIL, Advocate
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ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH, BENGALURU NORTH
1/1, First Floor, "Jeevan Sampige ", 2nd Main, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560 003, E –mail: arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized officer of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **09.10.2023** issued by our **ARB Bengaluru North, Bengaluru,** (Account transferred from Gandhinagar Branch to ARB-Bengaluru North) calling upon the **(Borrowers) 1.M/s.Splendid Marketing.** No.1,2 & 3, Ground Floor, LVS Elite, Sonnahamana Halli, K R Puram Hobli, Banglore-560036. **Prop: Mrs.Vandana B**. Flat No.010, L V S Apartment,14th Cross, 1st Block, Akshaya Nagar, Anandapura, Ramamurthy nagar, T C Palya Road, K R Puram, Bengaluru-560036. **2.Mr.T Kamalakar**. Flat No C-010, LVS Elite, T C Palya Main Road, Near Bharath Petrol Pump, Anandapura, K R Puram, Bengaluru-560036. **3. Mrs.Vandana B**. Flat No C-010, LVS Elite, T C Palya Main Road, Near Bharath Petrol Pump, Anandapura, K R Puram, Bengaluru-560036. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.1,07,72,828/-** (Rupees One Crore Seven Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Eight Only) and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **15th December 2023.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North for an **Rs.1,07,72,828/-** (Rupees One Crore Seven Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Eight Only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION : Property 1: SCHEDULR A: All that piece and parcel of converted land measuring about 30 guntas in survey no.24/1a and 30 guntas in survey no.24/1B(converted vide official memorandum dated 22nd September 2010 in No.ALN/BE(B)/SR/22/2009-10 issued by Deputy Commissioner,Bangalore District,Bangalore),Village Panchayath E-Katha No.150200400501120140 situated at Halehalli Village,Bidarahalli Hobli,Bangalore East Taluk belongs to Mrs.B Vandana and bounded on the.East By : Land in Sy.24/2, West By : Land in Survey, No.53, North By : Government Road,South By : Channel.

SCHEDULR B: An undivided share of land measuring 443.784 square feet in schedule A Property.

SCHEDULE C: Apartment no.124,on the First Floor in the building known as "LVS GARDENIA PHASE 1",village panchayath E KathaNo.150200400501120461, constructed on the land described in the Schedule A above and measuring 1230 Square feet or 114.27 Sq.meter of super built up area with one covered car parking space in the basement floor. Description of the Apartment. Flat No : 124,Floor No : First Floor, Carpet Area: 898 Sq.Ft. Super Built Up Area: 1230 Sq.Ft, Including Common Area Excluding Basement, Corresponding UDS : 443.784 Sq.Ft, Type Of Building : Residential Apartments, Flooring: Vitrified Flooring, Car Parking: One Car Parking Space in Basement Floor,Boundaries for the Apartment: East By ; Open Area West By : Passage, North By: Flat No.126, South by: Flat No.122.

Property No.2: SCHEDULE A: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing present BBMP Katha no.332,converted Sy.No.15/2(converted for residential purpose vide conversion order no.BDS.ALN:SRC182/2004-05 Dt.08.12.2004 situated at sonnathammanahalli village,K R Puram Hobli,Bengaluru East Taluk.

SCHEDULE B: An Undivided share of land measuring 674 Sq.ft in Schedule A property.

SCHEDULE C: Flat No.010. Ground Floor in the multistoried residential building complex known as"LVS ELITE" constructed over schedule A property having super built up area 1500 Sq.Ft belongs to Mr.T Kamalakar.

Date: 15.12.2023
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India
Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore

MANAPPURAM HOME FINANCE LIMITED

FORMERLY MANAPPURAM HOME FINANCE PVT LTD
CIN : U65923K12010PIC039179

Regd Office : IV/470A (OLD) W/638A (NEW) Manappuram House Valapad Thrissur, Kerala 680567
Corp Office : Manappuram Home Finance Limited, Third Floor, Unit No. 301 to 315, A Wing, 'Kanakia Wall Street', Andheri-Kurla Road, Andheri East, Mumbai 400093, Maharashtra. **Phone No.:** 022-66211000, **Website :** www.manappuramhomefin.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of **Manappuram Home Finance Ltd ("MAHOFIN")** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest *[Act], 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **Demand Notice** calling upon the borrowers and co-borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice and Interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken **Symbolic** possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said *[Act] read with rule 9 of the said rules. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Manappuram Home Finance Ltd as mentioned below for each of the respective properties:

Sr. No.	Name Of The Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Lan/Branch	Description Of Secured Asset In Respect Of Which Interest Has Been Created	Date of Demand Notice sent & Outstanding Amount	Date of possession
1	Jayamma N Harish M **/MA90MHLONS000005007716/** Vivekananda Circle	Property No. 757/657 Unique No. 152100601100300770, Lakshmisagara Village & Grama Panchayathi, Pandavapura Taluk Mandya, Mandya, P.O. Mahadeshwarapura, Mandya, Karnataka, Pin: 571434	23-09-2023 & Rs. 1,51,040/-	13-12-2023

Date: 17th December 2023
Place: KARNATAKA

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Manappuram Home Finance Ltd

ICICI Home Finance

Corporate Office: ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri- Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai- 400059, India
Branch Office: 1st floor, No.165 & 166, Manjunatha Chambers, Shankar Nagar, Main Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore- 560096
Branch Office: Ground floor, Kakanna Building, Iggalur Village, opp ICICI Bank, Anekal Main Rd, Chandapura, Bangalore- 560099, Karnataka
Branch Office: Shop No. 1316/C, 2nd floor, 9th Cross, 9th Main, Opp To Tirumalagiri Venkateshwara Temple, J P Nagar, 2nd Phase Above Central Bank, Bangalore- 560078

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower (s)/ Co Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Legal Heirs. Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Hareshkumar (Borrower) Mangalamma (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHBYW00001489087 & LHBYW00001491812	Site No.14, Katha No.399/14, Arekere Grama Panchayath Khatha No.399/02 Formed Out of Sy No.85/3 Situated at A Hosahalli Village, Kora Hobli, Tumkur Taluk Tumkur Karnataka- 572106	Rs. 26,96,475/- December 12, 2023	Rs. 20,72,250/- Rs. 2,07,230/-	January 15, 2024 11:00 AM-03:00 PM	January 23, 2024 02:00 PM-03:00 PM
2.	A K Pradeepa (Borrower) P N Geethalakshmi (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHBWQ00001464395 & LHBWQ00001464397	Site Bearing No.88 Sy No.65 New No.65/1 Khatha No.783/88 Kaveri Road Sowparnika Villas Hobli Malur Taluk Kolar District Sampangere Village Lakkuru Malur Karnataka- 563130	Rs. 42,78,002/- December 12, 2023	Rs. 27,45,000/- Rs. 2,74,500/-	January 15, 2024 11:00 AM-03:00 PM	January 23, 2024 02:00 PM-03:00 PM
3.	Vijay Kumar R (Borrower) R Saroja (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHBWQ00001455450 & LHBWQ00001455793	Site No.173 Sy No.14 Sln Layout Kammasandra Village Dasanapura Hobli Bangalore Rural Karnataka 562123	Rs. 26,69,371/- December 12, 2023	Rs. 33,94,300/- Rs. 3,39,430/-	January 15, 2024 11:00 AM-03:00 PM	January 23, 2024 02:00 PM-03:00 PM
4.	Yogesh G (Borrower) Geetha (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHBYW00001484715	Site No.1 Katha No.399/01 Sy No.85/3 Arakere Gram Panchayath Kora Hobli Tumkur Karnataka- 572106	Rs. 23,31,963/- December 12, 2023	Rs. 17,72,550/- Rs. 1,77,260/-	January 15, 2024 11:00 AM-03:00 PM	January 23, 2024 02:00 PM-03:00 PM
5.	Sathish Kumar N A (Borrower) Shakunthala G P (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHBYW00001302313	Site No.2 Formed In Sy No.122 Yalachaguppe Village Tavarekere Hobli Bangalore Karnataka- 560081	Rs. 18,85,194/- December 12, 2023	Rs. 65,95,575/- Rs. 6,59,560/-	January 15, 2024 11:00 AM-03:00 PM	January 23, 2024 02:00 PM-03:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on website **(URL Link- https://BestAuctionDeal.com)** of our auction agency **Globe Tech.** The Mortgagors/ notice are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **January 22, 2024** before **05:00 PM** else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 1st floor, No.165 & 166, Manjunatha Chambers, Shankar Nagar, Main Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore- 560096** on or before **January 22, 2024** before **04:00 PM.** The Prospective Bidder(s) must also submit signed copy of Registration Form & Bid Terms and Conditions form at **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 1st floor, No.165 & 166, Manjunatha Chambers, Shankar Nagar, Main Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore- 560096** on or before **January 22, 2024** before **05:00 PM.** Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank in favorof **"ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd. – Auction"** payable at **Tumkur, Malur, Bangalore.**

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited** on **9920807300** or our Sales & Marketing Partner **NexXen Solutions Private Limited.**

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit **https://www.icicihfc.com/**

Date : December 17, 2023
Place : Tumkur, Malur, Bangalore.

Authorized Officer
ICICI Home Finance Company Limited

Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department, Kolar

E-procurement Short Term Tender Notification No:24/2023-24, Dated: 13.12.2023

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department invites tender for the scheme of Jal Jeevan Mission(Functional household tap connection) 2023-24 of Kolar District, Item rate tenders by two cover system through e-procurement portal. Those who have registered in PWD/CPWD(Government of Karnataka) are eligible in participation of tendering for more details visit website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for online submission of Bid is **26.12.2023 upto 17.30 hours.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, RDW&S Division, Kolar

DIPR/KOLAR/RO:258/KSMCA/2023-24

PUBLIC NOTICE

Provident Welworth City
Marasandra, Doddaballapur Road, Bengaluru 561203, Karnataka

We are purchasing the Flat No:C4 201 from Mr. Patel, If anybody having objection please contact Mr. Nayan Chowdhury- 9591710306 within 15 days from the date of advertisement

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Government of Karnataka

(Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department)

Office of the Executive Engineer,
Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Shivamogga

EE/RWSS/Dvn/SMG/TE/JJM/E-Proc/2023-24/1798 **Date : 14.12.2023**

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through Kppp-procurement)

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka and as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Rules 2000, tenders are invited to undertake the following works under Jal Jeevan Mission in the limits of Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Shivamogga. **Indent Nos: (1) 433 Call2 (2) 588 Call2 (3) 6643 (4) 6641 (5) 2759 (6) 678 (7) 776 Call2 (8) 840 Call2 (9) 777 Call2 (10) 660 Call2 (11) 472 Call2 (12) 990 (13) 7218 (14) 7217 (15) 7137 (16) 456.**

Tender details, conditions and corrigendum or changes are available in website **https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Eligible bidders shall submit their bid and documents through above e-portal only. **Few conditions of the tender :** (1) The last date for receipt of tenders from contractors : **20.12.2023 & 22.12.2023 at 5.30 P M.** (2) Date of Opening of Single Cover Financial bid : **22.12.2023 & 24.12.2023 at 11.30 A M** (3) Date of opening of Double Cover Technical bid : **22.12.2023 & 24.12.2023 at 11.30 A M.** (4) Date of opening of Double Cover Financial bid : **24.12.2023 & 26.12.2023 at 11.30 A M.** (5) Specified time period for completion of works : **Single cover & Double cover : 6 months (180 days)**

sd/- Executive Engineer,
DIPR/SMG/No.58-12 zenkar/2023-24 **Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Division, Shivamogga**

SRI SEETHARAGHAVA SOUHARDA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA

BUS STAND ROAD, HOSADURGA – 577527 CHITRADURGA DIST
PH NO 08199230447 FAX: 08199 231405

PUBLIC TENDER CUM AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Tenders by way of submission of offers or invited from Public in general for purchase of below mentioned immovable property on "AS IS WHERE IS" and "AS IS WHAT IS" condition under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Act, 2002, for realization of outstanding dues from the borrower mentioned here below.

Borrower / Guarantor Name:
K S Suresh S/o Shivalingappa K P, SLN Bakery, Industrial Area, Ajjampura Road, Hosadurga Town
1) K P Shivalingappa S/o Lt Parvathappa. 2. Keshavamurthy C S/o Channabasappa. 3. Ganesh K S S/o K P Shivalingappa. 4. Anusuya K R W/o Suresh K S

01) Description of the Property:

All that pieces and parcel of immovable property bearing Southern Partition of Site No 6 Khata No 2084 / 1022 / 6 E Khata Property No 150200100600400708 and 2084 / 1022 / 6, in the layout known and called as "Sreenidhi Sacred Springs", formed in converted Land in Survey No 129 (Conversion Order Bearing No BDS.ALN (A) SR 60/04-05, dated 07.02.2005. ALN (A) (K&A) SR 9/06-07, Dated 20.07.2006 BDS ALN (A) SR 598 / 04 – 05 Dated 29.03.2005 BDS ALN (A) SR 381 / 2004-05 Dated 12.01.2005 passed by the Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District and Layout has been approved from the Anekal planning Authority Wide approval No APA / LAO / 41 / 06-07 dated 16.02.2013 situvated at Lakshisagara Village Attibele Hobli Anekal Tq Bangalore Urban District in all measuring 1280 Sq Feet out of 2226 Sq feet and bounded as follows East By Road, West by Site bearing No 18 and 19 North by Northern portion of Site No 6, South by Land bearing Survey No 119.

Date of Demand Notice: 06.05.2023	Date of possession Notice: 07.07.2023

Reserve Price : Rs 40,00,000.00
EMD Amount: Rs 1,00,000.00
Minimum Raisable Bid Amount : Rs 50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Rupees Only)
Date of Auction: 17-01-2024

Place of Auction : Sri Seetharaghava Souharda Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Sai Krupa, No 27, Dr Rajkumar Road, 6th Block, Rajajinagar, next to St Ann's High School, BENGALURU - 560010
Last date for Submission of Tender: 17.01.2024 before: 12.00 pm
Date of Opening of Tender: 17.01.2024 afternoon 1.00 pm

02) Description of the Property:

1) A Vacant site property bearing No 67/67 SP No 10 E-Property No 26-4-9055 measuring E-W 18.17 Mtrs, N-S 21 Mtrs Total Area 381.67 Sq Meters situated at Industrial Area Estate Ajjampura Road, Hosadurga Town, Hosadurga Tq Bounded as follows East by Private Property West by Road North By Private Property South by Special plot No 9.

Date of Demand Notice: 06.05.2023	Date of possession Notice: 07.07.2023

Reserve Price : Rs 46,00,000.00
EMD Amount: Rs 1,00,000.00
Minimum Raisable Bid Amount : Rs 50,000.00
Date of Auction: 18-01-2024

Place of Auction: Sri Seetharaghava Souharda Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Hosadurga
Last date for Submission of Tender: 18.01.2024 before: 12.00 pm
Date of Opening of Tender: 18.01.2024 afternoon 1.00 pm
**For more details Contact: Authorized Officer / General Manager, Sri Seetharaghava Souharda Sahakara

"We really can't forecast all that well, and yet we pretend that we can

Alan Greenspan

POWELL'S PIVOT AND STOCK MARKET EUPHORIA

THE THIRD EYE

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AROUND mid-morning on Thursday, a bull found its way into the Newark Penn Station. The bull didn't take a ride to Wall Street for sure, but there was no dearth of bullish sentiments as stock market indices rallied to new highs.

The euphoria is visible across global stock markets. The Dow Jones Industrial Average hit a historic high, the S&P500 is hovering above 4,700, the NASDAQ touched 14,800 and stock indices elsewhere else are rallying too. In Europe, which witnessed a contraction in GDP recently, stock indices soared—the pan-European STOXX50E index closed at a new multi-year high.

In India, the benchmark Sensex surged to surpass the 71,400 mark and the Nifty crossed the 21,450 mark by the end of the week. The Indian stock market has reasons to surge. The open question about 2024 seems to have been parked, foreign portfolio investors are back and the year could end with higher-than-expected GDP growth. That is not necessarily the case across the G7 economies.

Clearly, the good news which is fuelling bullish sentiments is that bad news has been evaded. The Summary of Economic Projections—the views of members of the US Federal Reserve, who in this season of joy could well have donned the role of 12 elves—suggests that the Fed will cut its Funds rate from 5.4 percent to 4.6 percent in 2024, and to 3.6 percent in 2025.

The Powell Pivot is stunning. It is said seven days is a long time in politics. The arc of transition for the Fed seems to be 12 days. As recently as December 1, Fed Chair Jerome Powell said it would be "premature to speculate" about cutting the Funds rate and even hinted at a possible tightening of policy. On Wednesday, Powell said they discussed "dialling back" policy restraint and the timing of rate cuts.

It is instructive to note that the scope of good news ends at the curve of cuts. The Fed projections suggest higher inflation for longer and lower growth ahead. Inflation will come below the Fed's 2 percent target only in 2026; the elves estimate that GDP growth could slide to 1.4 per cent in 2024 and hover around 1.8 per cent in the next two years.

The central question, therefore, is whether the projection of rate cuts is driven by confidence about falling inflation or concern that the economy may crash-land in an election year. When asked if he could confidently say the "economy has avoided a recession" and "isn't heading for one", Powell displayed a talent for moonwalking. He surmised "there is little basis for thinking that the economy is in a recession now", and in the same breath pointed out "there is always a probability that there will be a recession in the next year".

Uncertainty and questions haunt the G7 economies across the Atlantic. On Thursday, the Bank of England announced its decision to hold interest rates at 5.25 percent. BoE governor Andrew Bailey asserted, "It's really too early to start speculating about cutting interest rates." Three members of Bank of England monetary policy committee expected inflation to rise and wanted rates to be hiked. A few hours later, in Frankfurt, the European Central Bank decided to keep its three key rates unchanged. ECB president Christine Lagarde said emphatically, "We did not, we did not discuss rate cut at all—no discussion, no debate on this."

The economic projections released by the BoE and the ECB signal serious trouble ahead. The BoE expects growth to be flat this quarter, following a poor showing in past months. Forecasters estimate GDP growth in the UK would be 0.4 percent in 2024 and 1.2 percent in 2025. The ECB staff estimates that growth in the Euro area will be at 0.6 percent in 2023, 0.8 percent in 2024, and 1.5 percent in 2025 and 2026. The market perception is that the spectre of economies poised on the brink of recession could force both the BoE and the ECB—although both Bailey and Lagarde ruled it out—to cut rates even earlier than the US Federal Reserve.

The big debate is about the WHEN of the rate cuts. Scepticism made a brief appearance on Friday as Fed officials tried to douse the euphoria—New York Fed president John Williams even said, "We aren't really talking about rate cuts right now." The markets closed higher anyway, suggesting they know better. It is true that rallies are triggered by perceptions about good tidings—for sure India presents an exceptional story and the US economy may just live up to its resilience branding. Equally rallies are sustained by performance in the real economy. Can sentiments look past a global de-growth?

Context is critical for assessing the trajectory of policy. There are many flashpoints which could upend sentiments—from geopolitics to a trade war. The year began with much hype about the rebound of the Chinese economy following the lifting of zero-Covid restrictions. That hope died mid-year and the prospects of any rebound in the near term are bound by Xi Jinping's politics. The US and China account for over 40 percent of the global economy and Europe another 15 per cent. What happens in the world's largest economies has implications for global markets.

Amid the lather of hope and hoopla, it is useful to revisit the old aphorism which says markets can remain irrational longer than investors can stay solvent.

NEW CMs ARE KAR SEVAKS, NOT CASTE CAPTAINS

POWER & POLITICS

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IT is NaMoste to new politics. In this politics, the media hasn't got the message. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is the message, messenger and medium—all rolled into one. What other mystic formula can explain the new normal in BJP culture, where the new state leaders are total surprises? Not one political soothsayer or media maven remotely guessed who the new political CEOs of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh would be after the Modi deluge swept the state elections.

Once the *trimurti*'s names flashed on screens, hundreds of journalists—some establishment-velcro, others saffron-repellent—discovered the virtues of the three new chief ministers. Their most obvious trait: each one is a Modi manifestation. The thread that knit the ascension of first-time MLA Bhajan Lal Sharma of Rajasthan, three-term MLA Mohan Yadav of Madhya Pradesh, and former state party chief Vishnu Deo Sai of Chhattisgarh was Sangh ideology. Having sprung a surprise by elevating national nobodies, Modi provided fulsome fodder to primetime punditocracy. The avoidably unavoidable talking heads dissected the decisions using weary algorithms of caste, region and Sangh connectivity. And, of course, their relevance in the 2024 polls. A study of their profiles as new power players tells a different story.

Has Modi invoked caste politics?

Absolutely not. His selection of Cabinet ministers and chief ministers over the past nine years reflects an unvarying pattern of sanguine surprises. In addition to the jaw-dropping element of unexpected unanimity, Modi's search for new faces to replace old ones with their own coteries successfully continues. The selection of ST leader Vishnu Deo Sai for Chhattisgarh was influenced by the BJP's huge electoral dividends gained from the tribal belt, which the PM hopes will continue well into mid-2024. Of the 29 reserved seats for STs, the BJP won 17 this time, as against just three in 2018. After Raman Singh, who governed the state for 15 years, there was no one other than Sai to replace such a tall leader. Sai has been the state party chief, a three-time MLA and an MP.

In Rajasthan, Bhajan Lal Sharma, a Brahmin, first-term MLA, was the PM's choice over Vasundhara Raje, who has done two stints as chief minister. Since the Rajasthan BJP is faction-riddled, Modi handpicked a back-bencher with a clean track record. He took a calculated risk by ignoring the claims of the powerful Gurjars, Meenas and Jats who account for more than a third of the 115 seats won.

In MP, 58-year-old Mohan Yadav became CM because he is a three-time, faction-free MLA who stood by patiently as local luminaries clamoured for favoured candidates. In the numbers game, Yadavs are hardly a significant factor in the MP election next year. Neither are Brahmins in Rajasthan.

The common factor among all the three novitiates is their hardcore Hindutva accreditation, having begun their political journey through the RSS. Caste was just a coincidence in Modi's choice of deputy chief ministers, too. Of the new six players, only two are Brahmins: Rajendra Shukla in Madhya Pradesh and Vijay Sharma in Chhattisgarh. The remaining four are from different communities.

These choices are a continuation of Modi's philosophy of either breaking caste barriers or weakening them. The process began in Maharashtra and Haryana. Devendra Fadnavis, a young Nagpur Brahmin, was picked to run Maratha-dominated Maharashtra. Haryana got its first Punjabi RSS *pracharak* in the cat-bird seat—Manohar Lal Khattar became CM despite being a first-time MLA.

Yogi Adityanath was a last-minute choice for UP when he wasn't an MLA. After Anandiben Patel was sent away from Ahmedabad to be UP governor, her replacement was not another Patel, but Vijay Rupani, a Jain—it caused a political earthquake in Gujarat. The current crop of 12 BJP chief ministers does not reflect caste contours in any state. One is a Brahmin, two are OBCs, another from a scheduled tribe, and the rest from upper castes. There isn't a single female BJP chief minister, although women voted for Modi in large numbers.

Is it the end of 'vocal for local' in BJP?

The manner in which the new breed was chosen is a clear indication of a future where the BJP high command will bet on local leaders to become regional saffron ambassadors and carry forward the Sangh agenda unconditionally. The choice of state observers and the limited secret parleys in Delhi indicated that state leaders had little say in choosing their CMs. Observers from Delhi landed in the state capitals just before the meeting. In the old BJP, its parliamentary board would meet to choose a CM based on reports submitted by observers. This time, no such formal meeting happened; the observers carried a sealed envelope bearing a name chosen by the prime minister, to be opened at the last minute.

Yadav's name was announced on national TV even before the legislative meeting. None of the reporters flown to Bhopal by the national TV channels had an inkling about the events unfolding within the meeting hall.

The selection of central observers made it obvious that they had already been briefed on the names. Modi had entrusted the task only to staunch followers: Khattar for Madhya Pradesh, Rajnath Singh for Rajasthan and Arjun Munda for Chhattisgarh. They are neither media-hungry, nor do they socialise with the Lilliputians of Lutyen's Delhi. Tribal neta Munda, a former Jharkhand CM, went to Chhattisgarh to felicitate another tribal as chief minister. Khattar was conscripted to assuage the feelings of the wildly successful and popular Shivraj Chouhan. Rajnath Singh, a formidable Rajput veteran and former BJP president, was tasked with inducting a new, unconventional face in a feudal state dominated by Thakurs and royals.

Will the new order help in 2024?

Very unlikely. Both the 2014 and 2019 national elections were won not by the state satraps, but by the overpowering charisma of Narendra Modi. He has been crowned by Ram and Ram *bhakti* drives his chariot. He is the alpha and the omega of his new cohorts united by faith in Lord Ram.

In 2018, the BJP had lost three state polls. Yet, Modi netted 62 out of 65 seats from these states in 2019. His proactive involvement in state affairs is designed to align a strong state with a stronger Centre. Modi's agenda is 'One Nation, One Leader'—his rubric to ensure '*Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas aur Sabka Vishwas*'. Modi is the BJP's caste-neutral mascot of surprises who sacrifices at the altars of immediacy, over-expediency and predictable experience. With such calculated moves, the PM has proved to be the master mentor of his party, as well as its strategic mental master.

AN ARAB FILM FEST IN THE TIME OF GAZA WAR

OPINION

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IT was a contentious film with which I opened my innings at the Red Sea International Film Festival (RSIFF) in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. Journalist Halkawt Mustafa's documentary *Hiding Saddam Hussein* is about an ordinary Iraqi farmer Alaa Namiq and his unique *modus operandi* to hole up the deposed president Saddam Hussein. He hides him in his Tikrit home for 235 days following America's invasion of Iraq.

The film's hybrid form weaves together archival footage, news clips and Namiq's testimonies with dramatic re-enactments of crucial incidents. Made over a period of 12 years in complete secrecy, the edge-of-the-seat thriller, sprinkled with small helpings of humour, *Hiding Saddam Hussein* shows the despot through the eyes of the farmer and ends up humanising both. A simple host who wouldn't betray the "world's most wanted" even for the $25 million reward on his head, instead becoming his personal doctor, driver, hairdresser, bodyguard and chef. The guest, shorn of power, forced to embrace his vulnerable self, mourning the death of his sons develops a surrogate father-son bond between the disparate individuals.

Ironically, for a Kurd whose family had to flee to Norway to save themselves from Hussein's weapons, Namiq wanted the Arab point of view to take centre-stage in the film rather than the Western perspective with which the story of the invasion has largely been told down the years.

No wonder the film shows the US—its soldiers in particular—in an unflattering light. They are shown as violent trespassers than allies of the Iraqi people, at the receiving end of their resentment and derided as flaky enough to be fooled with offerings of "Pepsi and cookies".

However, I was denied a Diet Coke at the post-film lunch by a local host. She and her friends, triggered and agitated by the deaths in Gaza, particularly those of children and journalists, have been quietly boycotting all American brands. "I can't go to Gaza and fight on behalf of the Palestinian kids, but I can stop spending on anything American. I feel that every penny that I spend on drinking a Coke or Pepsi will contribute to America's support of Israel and the killing of innocents," she explained her stand, also categorically saying that she wouldn't attend any of the conversation series with Hollywood celebrities at the RSIFF.

Meanwhile, there were murmurs, even in the filmmaking fraternity at the festival, on whether it was an opportune moment to celebrate cinema when the war was at its ugly peak a mere 1,200 km away, leaving 18,000 Palestinians dead at the last count. Several film festivals in Arab nations—Egypt's Cairo International Film Festival, Tunisia's Carthage Film Days, Doha's Ajyal Film Festival—were called off in solidarity with Palestine.

No reference was made about the conflict at the RSIFF, on the desolate red carpet and in the relatively muted opening ceremony attended by a handful of Bollywood and Hollywood celebrities. However, an earlier statement from Mohammed Al-Turki, CEO of the Red Sea Film Foundation, and RSIFF managing director Shivani Pandya Malhotra did obliquely underline the soft politics: "We feel it is particularly timely to use the medium of film to look at what connects us, and to give a platform to the voices and experiences of people in our region and beyond to foster insight, understanding and compassion."

With the Gaza conflict in the backdrop, the global film fraternity converged at a Saudi fest. Despite a sprinkling of Hollywood and Bollywood stardust, the theme—Your Story, Your Festival—gave space to Arab and African voices

Even as the Hollywood presence kept growing and peaked at the closing ceremony, the festival's theme—Your Story Your Festival—made the programming predominantly Saudi, Arab and African.

For an orthodox country notorious for its human rights violations, Saudi Arabia had shut itself from cinema for 35 years. However, within three years of hosting the country's first film fest, the Red Sea Fund has come to be the force behind seven excellent films submitted for the Oscars this year—*Four Daughters* (Tunisia), *Goodbye Julia* (Sudan), *Hanging Gardens* (Iraq), *Inshallah, A Boy* (Jordan), *Omen* (Belgium), *The Burdened* (Yemen), and *The Mother Of All Lies* (Morocco).

Wooing Hollywood at the same time was a matter of business exigency and profile-building. For Hollywood, it has been about dipping into Saudi money—rumours of a Saudi takeover of Paramount Studio was rife at the fest.

Away from these contradictions, the RSIFF awards ceremony turned out to be as unambiguously political. Australian filmmaker and jury chief Baz Luhrmann decided to "shine a light" on one of the most popular films—British-Palestinian filmmaker Farah Nabulsi's *The Teacher* on the fraught lives of Palestinians in the occupied West Bank. It won the jury award and the best actor trophy for Arab icon Saleh Bakri, whose portrayal of a committed Palestinian teacher reminded many viewers of the slain professor and author Refaat Alareer. While accepting the award on Bakri's behalf, Nabulsi said, "Stop the killing of our brothers and sisters and children in Gaza." The audience at the Ritz Carlton roared in approval.

While accepting the jury award she quoted British philosopher Bertrand Russell on Palestine: "How much longer is the world going to endure this spectacle of wanton cruelty?" There couldn't have been a better, ironic moment for the festival to say it's a wrap.

QUOTE CORNER

Pandemic, war, and growing tensions between the two largest economies of the world—the US and China—have undoubtedly changed the playbook for global economic relations. The US calls for 'friend-shoring', the EU for 'de-risking', and China for 'self-reliance'. National security concerns are shaping economic policy worldwide.

Gita Gopinath, IMF first deputy managing director, in a plenary speech at the world congress of the International Economic Association in Colombia

Trump's not a conservative. He's a populist, authoritarian narcissist. So all of his tendencies are basically where narcissism takes him.

Paul Ryan, former US House speaker who is now a Fox Corporation board member

A lot of people are extending their love and we are also trying to improve. We have an opportunity to take women's cricket as high as we can.

Harmanpreet Kaur, India women's cricket captain, after India beat England

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Women's protection

The Chief Justice of India sought a report from the Allahabad High Court after a woman judge from Uttar Pradesh wrote an open letter saying she suffered personal humiliation of being denied a fair hearing on her sexual harassment complaint at workplace. She said she was sexually harassed by a district judge and his associates. If a judge is not safe in the country, what about the common people? Women's protection is trampled under the feet of politics. This matter is worthy of consideration and justice should be served soon.

TKR Noori, Mumbai

Parliament expulsions

Ref: *Plotters had Plan B for demo outside House* (Dec 16). Investigation into the parliament security breach reveals that the perpetrators had meticulously planned the conspiracy. The slugfest between the BJP and opposition will only digress from the issue. If the Lok Sabha ethics panel found Mohua Moitra a threat to national security and expelled her, one can only wonder about the logic behind the suspension of opposition MPs who had only sought a statement from the home minister on the breach.

Biju C Mathew, Thiruvananthapuram

Missing mark

Smriti Irani's recent statement in the Rajya Sabha regarding menstruation might have missed the mark. Sure, acknowledging menstruation as a natural bodily process is crucial. But brushing off the need for menstrual leave as unnecessary is short-sighted. There should be provisions to support those suffering, maybe by offering flexible work arrangements instead of strict leave policies. Menstrual leave isn't about shirking responsibilities; it's about acknowledging the biological reality.

Preetiyukta, Bhubaneswar

Electoral odyssey

Led by Rahul Gandhi, the Bharat Jodo Yatra demonstrated both potential and obstacles for the Congress. Success in Karnataka, Himachal Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh showcased achievements. But setbacks in Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh prompted concerns. As the 2024 Lok Sabha elections approach, the yatra's impact on Congress appears multifaceted. While it effectively consolidates regional support, the electoral landscape remains unpredictable.

Avirup Nag, Siliguri

Eradicating malnutrition

Ref: *Need healthy diets for all* (Dec 16). Healthy diet has to become a part of people's lifestyle which presupposes consistent awareness campaigns. It doesn't automatically happen by affordability. People need to be educated to give priority to nutritious food. That's not happening now. In some people, health or ill health is a matter of genetic predisposition, irrespective of food quality. Cause-based approach is needed to eradicate malnutrition.

Geetha B K, Kannur

Deliver justice

Ref: *BJP MLA gets 25-yr jail term in UP rape case* (Dec 16). There may be more black sheep among elected representatives who are the perpetrators of sexual harassment. They too must be brought to the notice of the courts for exemplary punishment such as was given in this case. They are the nothing but takers of undue advantage of their political power.

K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam

Stop encroachment

On one hand, the BRS constructed the Kaleshwaram dam, tanks and restored step-wells to increase and restore water resources. On the other hand, they scrapped government order 111—which would now allow encroachment by land sharks in the catchment areas of rivers and tanks. Gandipet and Himayatsagar are prestigious tanks. In the last few years, both the tanks have been full because of heavy rains. Due to the encroachment of tanks and lakes, the city is facing floods during the monsoon. Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has taken a good decision by putting on hold the repeal of the government order for the protection of rivers and tanks.

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Pawan Khera @Pawankhera
The liberation of Bangladesh is an ideal case study on how a bold leader of the third world could trump superpowers.

Sanjay Jha @JhaSanjay
Opinion polls will happen every week from here on. All of them will say Modi 3.0. It's all part of an organised PR campaign for political gaslighting. It's meant to psychologically brainwash you.

India, Oman to strengthen ties in 10 key areas

Both countries look at early conclusion of Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement, consensus on key issues

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PM Narendra Modi and Sultan of Oman Haitham Bin Tariq at the Hyderabad House in New Delhi on Saturday | SHEKHAR YADAV

INDIA and Oman reviewed the entire range of bilateral relations with each other during the ongoing State visit of the Sultan of Oman, Haitham bin Tarik, to India.

The talks ranged from concluding the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) to furthering partnership in defence, trade and even cricket. Last month, Oman qualified for T20 World Cup 2024 to be held in the US.

"We had an excellent meeting and reviewed the entire range of our bilateral ties. We discussed ways to deepen cooperation in defence, commerce, culture and innovation," said Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday.

While Modi had visited Oman in 2018, this is the first State visit from the Sultan of Oman after a gap of 26 years.

The Sultan of Oman was accompanied by a high-level delegation, which comprised his Deputy Prime Minister for Defence, seven cabinet ministers and three vice-ministers.

"India and Oman are strategic partners. At one end of the Arabian Sea is India and on the other, Oman. Trade ties, culture and common priorities bind our two nations, and today we are adopting a new 'India-Oman Joint Vision — A Partnership for future'. There are 10 concrete action points that have been agreed upon and this will strengthen our ties further. Besides, we also spoke about the ongoing talks of a Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) with Oman. Two rounds have been completed and consensus has been arrived at on important issues," said Modi, adding that there was optimism that this agreement would be signed soon.

India and Oman have agreed to work closely to accelerate and conclude CEPA negotiations. Bilateral trade between the two nations has doubled from $5.4 billion in 2020-21 to $12.3 billion in 2022-23.

Both the leaders held discussions on security and political cooperation, defence, trade, energy, renewables, healthcare and education.

Meanwhile, the India-Oman Joint Vision identified areas like maritime cooperation, connectivity, energy security, green energy, space, technologies, digital payments, financial cooperation, trade, investment, health, tourism, agriculture and food security.

Oman was invited as a guest by India during its recently concluded G20 Presidency. There are over 7,00,000 Indians working in Oman.

Both the leaders also condemned terrorism, and emphasized the need for all to abide by international law, respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of all nations, refrain from interfering in the internal affairs of other countries and resolve conflicts through dialogue and diplomacy.

Some deals signed

- MoU between Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) and National Center for Financial Information (FNCI) on cooperation in the exchange of intelligence related to money laundering, associated predicate offences and terrorism financing
- MoU between Indian Council for Cultural Relations and Dhofar University on establishment of the ICCR Chair of Indian Studies-Hindi Language
- Heads of Terms for Investment in Oman-India Joint Investment Fund to be entered between Oman Investment Authority and State Bank of India

DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU

PILES OF CASH FLOWING FROM 'WHITE HOUSE'

MUKESH RANJAN

SOURAV ROY

ASK anyone in mineral-rich Lohardaga, a town 75 km west of Jharkhand capital Ranchi, where the Sahus live. 'White House' would be the reply. The Bauxite Town hides tonnes of wealth — a lot of money in cash. Dhiraj Prasad Sahu has been the Rajya Sabha MP of the town from the Congress since 2009.

The residents would also tell you Sahu's fountain of wealth is located somewhere at 'Bhatti Slope' in the town.

Sahu has declared his modest assets worth ₹34 crore in his affidavit filed in the 2018 Rajya Sabha election. Some days back, income tax authorities claimed to have recovered ₹354 crore in cash from his locations in Jharkhand and Odisha. And they are still counting, even as money counting machines have malfunctioned out of fatigue. Reports have emerged that I-T sleuths could also be using ground penetrating radars in their attempt to look for more cash.

Dhiraj Sahu and four of his brothers, with substantial involvement in politics, have played pivotal roles in Congress activities, particularly in Jharkhand.

The primary business of the Sahu family revolves around the liquor industry, with significant operations in Odisha.

Those close to the Sahus say Dhiraj Sahu's grandfather, the late Heera Sahu, laid the foundation of his family in the town. Heera Sahu arrived in Lohardaga from Bihar's Obra town in Aurangabad during pre-Independence days. At that time, many 'Vaishya' community members from Magadh region of Bihar migrated via Sherghati and settled in Lohardaga, Chandwa, Gumla, Latehar, and Daltenganj. With Lohardaga being directly connected to Maharashtra, Heera Sahu settled there and started selling daily essentials, especially salt, spices and oil.

Then on, the family did not look back. In 1833, Lohardaga was made the headquarters of the administrative unit of the South West Frontier Agency by the British.

Heera Sahu soon came to know that the real owners of the land, the tribal community, were fond of 'hadia' (rice beer). Heera's son Baldev Sahu opened a distillery of raw liquor in Lohardaga, which did so well that within no time, Baldev became rich and famous in the region. The furnace opened by the late Baldev Sahu was closed a few decades ago, but even today, pouched country liquor is sold from there. That place is known as 'Bhatti Slope.'

With his increasing wealth and power, Shiv Prasad Sahu, the eldest son of Baldev Sahu, entered politics and was elected Congress MP from Ranchi twice. Dhiraj Sahu, his younger brother, has carried forward the legacy.

Armed with a BA degree, Dhiraj Sahu has been an active participant in politics since 1977. He began his political journey with NSUI in 1977. Slowly and steadily, he climbed the party ladder and became office-bearer in the Lohardaga district and later in the Jharkhand Pradesh Congress Committee. His political journey includes episodes of imprisonment during the Jail Bharo Andolan in 1978.

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The Sahu family's influence extends beyond politics. They are part of key decisions in parliamentary and legislative elections, and ministerial appointments.

In 2009, Dhiraj reached Rajya Sabha for the first time. The then state president of Congress, Pradeep Kumar Balmuchhu, wholeheartedly helped him move forward. This trend continued and Dhiraj Sahu won the Rajya Sabha elections in 2010 and 2018 as well.

The party may be shunning Dhiraj Sahu, post recovery of cash, but he is known as the ATM for most Congress leaders.

Dhiraj is claimed to have direct access to influential leaders in the Congress headquarters in Delhi. The office staff, insiders say, kept waiting for him to get his blessings. In November 2022, Sahu actively participated in Rahul's Bharat Jodo Yatra.

Apart from Dhiraj Sahu, many other family members are also involved in his company Baldev Sahu and Group of Companies, which also have some other branches.

Besides Congress, Dhiraj Sahu is said to have well-wishers in other political parties as well. The son of renowned social worker Baldeo Sahu and Shushila Devi, Sahu, 64, has come a long way from the family's Aurangabad days. Like those days, he has no idea where he will finally land up.

High-powered committee to review all aspects of Parliament security: Birla

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Unemployment, price rise behind breach: Rahul

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Saturday said unemployment and rising prices were behind the December 13 Parliament security breach. Speaking to reporters after an election strategy meeting with leaders of the party's Gujarat unit here, Gandhi said it's the youngsters who are not getting jobs due to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's policies who breached Parliament security. He said the breach was the eruption of an anger long simmering among the youth.

REJECTING the Opposition's claims that the suspension of 13 MPs from Opposition parties was linked to their protests over the recent Parliament security breach, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Saturday pointed out that the House had displayed exemplary solidarity and collective resolve when breaches happened in the past.

During the Zero Hour on December 13 afternoon, two men jumped inside the Lok Sabha chamber from the visitors' gallery with canisters of yellow smoke. They were caught by the MPs present in the House.

While the Opposition protests disrupted Parliament proceedings, Birla wrote a letter addressed to all MPs, informing that he had constituted a "high-powered committee" to review all aspects of security in the Parliament complex and formulate a concrete action plan to ensure that such incidents do not recur.

This committee is in addition to another, which is being headed by the CRPF director general investigating the incident. The Speaker said that he will share its report with the House once it is submitted.

The Opposition parties have been seeking a statement from Home Minister Amit Shah and some even demanded his resignation. Speaker Birla noted that security in the Parliament House Estate comes under the jurisdiction of Parliament.

"Accordingly, it is the Parliament's responsibility to formulate a detailed action plan on security measures in accordance with your suggestions, and thereafter, their implementation is also the responsibility of Parliament," he said.

Birla said that the 13 Opposition members have been suspended from the House "purely to uphold" its sanctity.

Navy chief's message to China, Pak: Days of salami slicing over

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Admiral Hari Kumar at a workshop organised by a think tank | EXPRESS

CALLING the seas the preferred medium of power projection, Indian Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar on Saturday said that the time for 'salami slicing' is over. The term means the practice of using a series of many small actions to produce a much larger action or result that would be difficult or unlawful to perform all at once.

"The steps to make the Navy indigenous are being taken and a time will come when the Indian Navy will have personnel serving from every district of the country," he said.

"We have resolutely responded to security challenges. There will be no room for compromise. I think there will be no more 'salami slicing' or 'bleeding the country through a thousand cuts'. That is the clear message the nation has been sending," the Navy chief added.

The Navy Chief was speaking at a policy workshop on national security organized by The Indian Futures, a New Delhi-based think tank.

Warning of salami slicing by the Chinese, it was former Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat who, immediately after the 72-day-long Dokalam standoff warned the armed forces to not let their guards down. He said, "As far as the northern adversary is concerned, the flexing of muscles has started. The salami slicing, taking over territory in a very gradual manner, testing our limits of threshold is something we have to be wary about and remain prepared for situations emerging which could gradually emerge into conflict."

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>
> Admiral R Hari Kumar, Navy chief

The term salami slicing is a modification of a phrase, salami tactics used first by communist political leader of Hungary Matyas Rakosi during the 1940s which meant cutting his opponents off like slices of salami. The so-called philosophy of bleeding India with a thousand cuts was propounded by General Zia ul Haq, former dictator of Pakistan. The General died in a helicopter crash in 1988.

China claims the 90,000 sq km of Arunachal Pradesh and also calls the 38,000 sq km of Ladakh as its own. More than one lakh soldiers of the Indian Army and the People's Liberation Army are deployed close to the Line of Actual Control since the standoff that began in May 2020. The standoffs persist at Depsang and Demchok.

Calling the process of indigenization of arms and ammunition production as important the Chief said that in the last 10 years, India has commissioned 32 ships and submarines constructed in India. "Of the 67 ships and submarines on order, only two are being constructed in Russia. We have no intention of taking them from outside thereafter." The Navy has planned to be fully self-reliant in production by 2047.

Nagaland ULB polls to be over by April 30, SC told

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @New Delhi

THE Nagaland government has, during a hearing recently, assured the Supreme Court that the state's urban local bodies election process would be completed by April 30 next year.

The last ULB elections in the state was held in 2004. The state of Nagaland informed this to a two-judge bench, headed by Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul and also comprising Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia, while responding to a petition filed by the People's Union for Civil Liberties (PUCL) and other parties.

The PUCL and other respective petitioners had moved the top court seeking a direction for 33 per cent reservation for women in urban local bodies in Nagaland.

The petitioners prayed SC for initiation of contempt proceedings against those responsible for cancellation of elections and allegedly not complying with its earlier March 14 order in connection with the poll process.

KSDL's roadmap will see investment of Rs 500 cr, says industries minister

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THE company's roadmap includes expansion, modernisation and diversification, with a vision to secure Rs 4,000 crore turnover by March 2026, he said. The plan includes expanding to other markets with new offerings, cultivating a robust raw material supply chain and manufacturing base, and entering new product segments.

Around 81% of KSDL's sales come from South India, on the back of Mysore Sandal soap, while the East contributes 9%, West 6%, and North 2.5%. It now wants to improve its presence beyond South India, and will launch soaps of lime, turmeric, lavender, neem, rose, jasmine, and transparent, priced at Rs 20, primarily aimed at North India. KSDL is also scouting for 3-4 contract manufacturers to outsource production for that market.

"Our legacy demands that we maintain premium quality. But responding to evolving customer needs, we are embarking on this diversification, launching soaps in the popular category," said KSDL MD Prashanth PKM.

In the foreign market, predominantly Europe and West Asia, KSDL will launch an improved version of its super-luxury offering Millenium - 'Millenium Gold' - priced at Rs 1,000 for a 100-gm bar.

KSDL is also eyeing a new soap facility in Karnataka, but the minister refused to divulge details.

Wood to Water

To sustain business over a long period, KSDL is entering the mineral water space, with the brand 'Mysore Sandal's Aqua'. "It's basically a diversification beyond soaps, to enter segments with customer necessities," Patil said.

The company will start producing and packaging drinking water at a defunct oil distillation unit in Shivamogga.

The company will also monetise a part of its Bengaluru premises by establishing a commercial complex for offices, for which a blueprint is ready. The mega roadmap will see an investment of Rs 500 crore, Patil said. "We expect our turnover to cross Rs 2,000 crore by April 2024," said Prashanth.

For FY2022-23, KSDL logged gross sales of Rs 1,375 crore, a 25% growth over Rs 1,104 crore in FY2021-22, with soaps contributing a major part.

Last year, KSDL saw its net profit rise 16% y-o-y at Rs 160 crore, over Rs 138 crore the previous year.

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> MB Patil, Minister for Large and Medium Industries, and Infrastructure Development

Don't offer degrees in association with foreign varsities without approval: UGC

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

THE University Grants Commission (UGC) will take action against universities and edtech companies offering courses in online mode in association with foreign universities without its prior approval, officials said on Saturday.

In a public notice, the UGC has said that no foreign higher educational institution (HEI) can offer any programme in India without the prior approval of the commission, and such programmes will not receive recognition from the UGC.

Exercising its powers under the UGC Act, 1956 (as amended), the commission has notified two key regulations for foreign higher education institutions in India. The first, University Grants Commission (Academic Collaboration between Indian and Foreign Higher Education Institutions to offer Twinning Programme, Joint Degree, Dual Degree Programmes) Regulations, 2022; and second, University Grants Commission (Setting up and Operation of Campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions in India) Regulations, 2023.

Warning edtech companies collaborating with foreign universities, the UGC said, "It has also come to the notice of UGC that some edtech companies are giving advertisements in newspapers, social media, television, etc, offering degree and diploma programmes in online mode in association with some foreign universities and institutions."

The regulations mandate that no foreign HEI shall offer any programme in India without the prior approval of the UGC," the notice said.

The HEIs shall not offer programmes under any franchise arrangement, it added. "Such a franchisee arrangement is not permissible and any such programme or degree shall not have UGC recognition," it said.

"Therefore, students and general public are made aware that such courses, programmes and degrees do not have UGC recognition and that they would be doing so at their own risk," the notification said.

Public notice

In a public notice earlier this week, the University Grants Commission has said that no foreign higher educational institution can offer any programme in India without the prior approval of the commission, and such programmes will not receive recognition from the commission.

PAPER LEAK

The home department of Rajasthan has directed the state's director general of police to form a Special Investigation Team to probe the recent recruitment exam paper leak cases, an official said on Saturday.

3 PEOPLE DROWNED IN POND IN JHARKHAND'S GODDA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	15	28	Mumbai	24	34
Bhopal	12	27	Panaji	25	35
Jaipur	12	24	Patna	12	26
Amritsar	07	22	Lucknow	09	23
Chennai	25	30	Port Blair	26	31
Kolkata	14	25	Imphal	10	23
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WITH NEW GOVTS IN PLACE IN C'GARH, MP AND RAJASTHAN, THE CMS TURN TO PUT TOGETHER A TEAM THAT CAN DELIVER

Murmurs of change in bureaucracy as top cops visit new 'power centre'

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

AMID suspense over the ministerial team of Chhattisgarh CM **Vishnu Deo Sai**, a segment of the state bureaucrats is seen fraternizing with senior politicians; some of them are even spotted in Raipur-based RSS headquarters, Jagriti Mangal.

The picture of three senior IPS officers, ADG and two IGs in their uniform sitting inside the RSS office, has gone viral. Though the reason behind their visit to RSS office couldn't be immediately known, sources said the officers wanted to meet two deputy chief ministers Arun Sao and Vijay Sharma who were scheduled to call on the Sangh's regional prachark Prem Shankar Sidar. RSS leaders couldn't be contacted for comments.

Ahead of a likely reshuffle of the state bureaucracy by the Sai government, many bureaucrats are seen rubbing shoulders with senior BJP leaders.

A sizeable section of civil servants are seen as active on the premise that political acumen or priorities take precedence over performance when it comes to choosing officials who can deliver.

"Bureaucrats should remain faceless under an elected government. However, of late one finds a quid-pro-quo reciprocity developing between politicians and bureaucrats," said Sushil Trivedi, retired bureaucrat and former election commissioner.

"Bureaucrats landing in a situation of trust deficit with a newly elected government may possibly opt for posting outside the state while others away on deputation are likely to return soon, said Uchit Sharma, a political analyst.

Some bureaucrats are also seen citing connections of their close or distant relatives with the RSS.

Meanwhile, amid the interregnum for the new government, a 55-year-old farmer allegedly committed suicide in a village in Chhattisgarh's tribal-dominated Narayanpur district, officials said on Saturday.

His family members and locals claimed he was upset due to debt burden and poor crop yield. Heeru Badhai of Kukdajhor village consumed pesticide at his farm on December 12 and died in the district hospital in Narayanpur the next day, the police said.

CM Mohan Yadav during the 'Vikshit Bharat Sankalp Yatra' in Ujjain district | PTI

MP CM to be in Delhi today to finalise ministry

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

THE much-awaited formation of the council of ministers headed by Chief Minister Mohan Yadav is likely to take place in the next few days.

The CM will tour the Gwalior-Chambal region on Sunday and will later fly to Delhi for a meeting with the party's top brass, reportedly to finalize the council of ministers.

Yadav, the third-time MLA from Ujjain-South was sworn in as CM on December 13 along with the two deputy CMs, seventh-time MLA Jagdish Dewda and fifth-time MLA Rajendra Shukla.

The meeting in Delhi on Sunday is likely to give the party's top brass's seal of approval on the final list of ministers. With 12 ministers of the previous government having lost the assembly elections, despite BJP's resounding poll success, it now remains to be seen whether the council of ministers too will include more new faces.

While it's still not clear whether party national general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya and ex-Union minister Prahlad Singh Patel will be part of the cabinet, at least two other heavyweights, among them Sidhi MLA Riti Pathak (two times former MP) and Jabalpur West MLA Rakesh Singh (four-time former MP) may become ministers.

Regional balance

The previous regime was dominated by Jyotiraditya Scindia loyalist ministers, with 9 of them being the Union minister's loyalists. There was a regional imbalance in the cabinet, particularly a lower resentation for Mahakoshal and Vindhya regions.

Sharma says all welfare schemes of Modi to be implemented thoroughly

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

A day after being sworn in as the Rajasthan CM, Bhajanlal Sharma has swung into action, asserting that all promises listed in the BJP's manifesto will be implemented. "All welfare schemes of the Modi government will be enforced strictly so that everyone who deserves support gets it in every corner of Rajasthan," said Sharma.

Cautioning the bureaucrats against laxity, the new CM said that in case any welfare scheme is not implemented vigorously, the accountability of officials will be fixed. He also initiated a bureaucratic reshuffle by turning the Principal Secretary and four other senior IAS officers in the Ashok Gehlot CMO as officers awaiting posting orders.

Sharma flagged off the Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra in Rajasthan on Saturday. He said, "The BJP government will fulfill every promise of the manifesto, and Modi's public welfare schemes will be taken to the people. If any person is deprived of this, the accountability of the officers will be fixed. A committee will be formed at the state level to disseminate and monitor these schemes to the public."

Meanwhile, the personnel department has designated four IAS officers appointed to key posts in the CM's office as APO. Simultaneously, an RAS officer has been appointed as OSD of the Chief Minister.

According to the order issued by the personnel department, principal secretary to the chief minister Kuldeep Ranka, secretary Gaurav Goyal, Aarti Dogra, and special secretary Rajan Vishal have been kept waiting for orders. These four officers held significant positions in the Gehlot government. This has happened with the change of government in the state, while RAS Yogesh Srivastava is appointed OSD.

Yogesh Srivastava has assumed a significant responsibility upon his return to Rajasthan. Previously, Srivastava worked as deputy secretary in Lok Sabha. Srivastava was made APO immediately upon his return from Delhi. Meanwhile, IAS T Ravikant has become the temporary principal secretary to the CM, and IAS Anandi has been appointed secretary, while Soumya Jha is now the joint secretary.

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CM asks JMM staff to be ready for every situation

Having skipped half a dozen summons issued by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in the land scam case, Chief Minister Hemant Soren asked the JMM leaders and workers to be prepared for every situation. Addressing a meeting of the JMM district, block presidents and central officials at his residence in Ranchi, Soren said that the opposition will try to break integrity and unity in the name of religion in the election year. According to Soren, ever since JMM formed government in the state, the opposition has been trying to topple the government. But because of their unity, the opposition have not been successful in their conspiracy.

Palamau needs tigresses to retain big cat count

The Palamau Tiger Reserve (PTR) in Jharkhand needs tigresses if it has to keep the three male migrant tigers that were spotted recently. The PTR authorities are considering about approaching the National Tiger Conservation Authority for approving translocation of tigresses from other reserves. It would be difficult for them to stay here for a long time if they don't find any mates, they said. Much to the satisfaction for the forest officials, as many as two tigers were spotted in November this year. Notably, according to a report on the Status of Tigers in India, released by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2019, there were no tigers in PTR.

Big B launches poster of film on Birsa Munda

Actor Amitabh Bachchan has launched the poster of a film on the bravery and struggle of Bhagwan Birsa Munda during the Kaun Banega Karorpati (KBC) programme. The actor congratulated actor Suchi Kumar saying that Munda was a great revolutionary and warrior. All the preparations for making the film on Birsa Munda also called 'Dharti Aaba' have been completed and the shooting of the film will start soon from Birsa Munda's village Ulihatu in March 2024. Ulihatu had hit the headlines after PM Narendra Modi became the first Prime Minister to visit the place.

Vigilance takes action in 'enemy property' case

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

AFTER the revelation of a major scam related to 'enemy property' in Haridwar, the state vigilance department has filed a case against 28 people, including two former PCS officers. Among them, 10 government officials are also involved.

Police Superintendent Vigilance Dhirendra Gunjyal said, "There was a 21-acre property in the Jwalapur area of Haridwar district that was supposed to be vested in revenue records of the government. However, some former PCS officers colluded with the land mafia and carried out transactions based on fake documents after reserving the property in the government's name."

The PCS officers have decided to take the matter to the government. They said, "The case that has been registered was part of a legal process. There is a provision for appeal in case of agreement or disagreement with the legal process. In such a situation, any magistrate or district administration officials will refrain from working or taking decisions in future."

Cong turns to young faces, replaces Nath after MP poll debacle

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

THE recent 66-163 seats drubbing in the Assembly polls, has finally ended the five and half years old era of Kamal Nath as the state Congress president in Madhya Pradesh.

Two days after the state party and its newly elected MLAs left it to the party high command to decide the legislature party leader in MP, the grand old party's national president made three key appointments to rejuvenate the party with young leadership.

OBC leader and ex-minister Jitu Patwari was appointed as the new state party chief, tribal leader and former minister Umang Singhar as the legislature party leader (leader of opposition) and young Brahmin MLA Hemant Katare (the son of former LoP Late Satyadev Katare) as deputy leader of the legislature party in the central Indian state.

With this, the main Opposition party seems to have responded to the ruling BJP's OBC-Dalit-Brahmin social engineering (seen in the choice of the CM and two deputy CMs) formula through the OBC-tribal-Brahmin social engineering move. The appointments also signaled the party's keenness to put forward a totally young leadership to take on the BJP in the state, with just around four months to go for the next Lok Sabha polls.

While Singhar and Katare had won the assembly polls (Katare did the giant killing act by defeating the state's cooperatives minister Arvind Singh Bhadoria), Patwari lost from Rau seat of Indore to BJP veteran Madhu Verma.

JD-U, BJP in war of words over Nitish rally in Varanasi

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

BIHAR chief minister **Nitish Kumar**'s Janata Dal (United) and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) had a conflict once again on Saturday following the cancellation of Nitish's rally at Varanasi in neighbouring Uttar Pradesh on December 24.

Senior JD(U) minister Shrawan Kumar claimed that the Jagatpur Inter College where the public meeting was to be organised for Nitish didn't give permission for the event. He blamed the Yogi Adityanath-led government in Uttar Pradesh for the same.

The college authorities however claimed that Sharawan Kumar did not seek permission for the use of the college ground as venue for the Kumar's public meeting.

Kumar reacted sharply to this and claimed that the college management expressed its apprehension about the Yogi Adityanath government derecognising the college's registration and also bulldozing its building if the permission was granted for organising Nitish's public meeting.

"They kept us waiting for five days before making it clear that they would not be able to give permission for the public meeting. We were taken aback when they expressed inability to provide the campus for the public meeting," Kumar said.

He said that political programmes of the Congress and BJP were earlier held on the campus of the college in the past. "But our request for providing the land for its use was turned down by the college administration," he added.

Bihar's rural development minister said that Nitish's public meeting would be organised on the land of the farmers in Varanasi if UP government created hurdles in grant of permission for the venue of Nitish's public meeting.

Meanwhile, Bihar BJP president **Samrat Choudhary** cited the college administration's statement while attacking Kumar for levelling 'false allegations' against the college. "JD(U) is spreading canards against the BJP in the name of denial of permission for the use of college ground for public meeting. But they would not succeed in their game plan as they stand exposed so far people's participation in the programme is concerned," he asserted.

Maha bureaucrat's son runs SUV over girlfriend's legs after brawl

SUDHIR SURAYWANSHI @ Mumbai

A 26-year-old woman was knocked down allegedly by her boyfriend, also the son of a senior bureaucrat, and his two associates on Monday in Thane over a fight, leaving her critically injured. Police have registered a case, but no one has been arrested so far.

According to the police complaint, the victim identified as **Priya Singh**, a social media influencer, was invited by the accused Ashwajit Gaikwad, son of the managing director of Maharashtra State Road Development Cooperation (MSRDC) Anil Gaikwad, to Court Yard Hotel in Thane around 4:30 am on Monday.

After she reached, a heated argument ensued and Ashwajit allegedly physically assaulted Priya. "My boyfriend slapped me and tried to strangle my neck. He bit my hand, beat me, pulled my hair and his friend pushed me to the ground," read the post of the victim, who had also narrated the incident on Instagram. The woman further said that Ashwajit told his driver to run the car over her. "His driver hit me from the left corner of the vehicle and the rear left wheel of the car went over my right leg," she wrote.

Victim invited by accused to Court Yard Hotel

According to the police complaint, the victim identified as Priya Singh, a social media influencer, was invited by the accused Ashwajit Gaikwad, son of the managing director of Maharashtra State Road Development Cooperation (MSRDC) Anil Gaikwad, to Court Yard Hotel in Thane around 4:30 am on Monday.

The driver has been identified as Sagar Shedge while the friend of the accused as Romil Patil. She was rescued by a passerby who alerted the police. The victim said she was in a relationship with Ashwajit for the last four years.

"Ashwajit told me he is getting divorced, But when I saw his spouse, we had a fight and after that, he ran the car over me," she alleged.

The Opposition attacked the government over the no action taken by the police. State Congress spokesperson Atul Londe Patil said, "The accused father is close to CM Eknath Shinde. Romil Patil who was also involved in this incident, is the president of the Palghar BJP youth wing. As the BJP leader is involved, police are reluctant to take action".

Youth kills mom, brings body to UP for last rites

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

A 20-year-old youth was arrested on Thursday night after he was found carrying the body of his mother stuffed in a suitcase in the Daraganj area of the district, said police.

The youth, identified as Himanshu Kumar, admitted that he strangled his mother after she refused to give him ₹5,000 on December 13. Thereafter, he stuffed the body in a suitcase and brought it to Prayagraj for immersion.

A resident of Gopalganj, Himanshu's mother Pratibha Devi, used to work in a cotton mill in Hisar while Himanshu was pursuing his graduation.

Himanshu was spotted by a team of Daraganj police. Sensing something fishy, the police checked his bag, said sources.

Himanshu said that he took a train to Prayagraj on December 13 and after reaching Prayagraj junction, he hired an e-rickshaw to take the body to Sangam and decided to immerse it on December 14 midnight.

1,400 cameras to help Bengal count its tigers in Sunderbans mangrove

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

ARMED with 1,464 all-weather night-vision cameras placed in 732 strategic locations called grids, the West Bengal forest department is conducting its annual exercise to count the number of big cats in the Sunderbans, the world's only mangrove tiger habitat.

The camera trap exercise to get an estimate number of tigers is likely to get over by first week of January next year.

The final report of the last national count, Status of Tigers 2022, was released by the National Tiger Conservation Authority on July 29, the International Tiger Day, and the exercise pegged the number of tigers in India at 3,682 and a total of 101 big cats were spotted in the Sunderbans.

The census conducted by the Centre is a quadrennial exercise and the annual exercise is performed by the forest departments of the states.

"Last month, a field training session was held and around 50 people, who learned about the camera settings and how to retrieve data from them, have been engaged in the census exercise," said an officer of the Sunderban Tiger Reserve.

The Sunderbans is spread across 10,000 sqkm, little over 4,000 sqkm of which is in India and the rest is in Bangladesh. The Indian Sunderbans is split between the STR and the South 24 Parganas forest division.

In 2021-22, the findings of the state-level census were not released as the national census was under way. In 2020-21, a total of 96 tigers were counted in the Sunderbans.

The last national count, which estimated 101 tigers in the Sunderbans, counted 81 of them in the STR and the rest in the South 24-Parganas division.

"Each 2 sqkm grid has a pair of cameras placed in opposite directions. The annual state-level exercise is to estimate the number of tigers based on the findings of the trap cameras. In comparison, the national count is a much bigger and detailed exercise. It considers several other factors in a habitat, like prey base and human interference," said an official.

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SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule A : All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing No.403 4th floor in Block No.22, Gram Panchayat E- Khatha No. 15020010130072040 9 having a of super built up area of 756 Sq.ft in the Residential Apartment known as " VBHC VAIBHAVA" together with 357 Sq.ft of Undivided share in the property situated at Byagadadenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and is bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Flat No.404, North By: Flat No. 402, South By: Road.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

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Date : 15.12.2023 Sd/- Authorized Officer
Place: Bangalore THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE MARKET COMMITTEE BALLARI.

Ballari – Bangalore road, Bandimote, Ballari Email: apmcballari@gmail.com Tel: 08392 250442 FAX: 08392250890

No:Apmc/Bly/Dev/ 1196 /2023-24 Date:16-12-2023

Short term Re e-tender notification

Agricultural Produce Market Committee, Bellary is invited eligible PWD class 1 civil contractors for tender of "PROVIDING BASIC INFRASCTRUCTURE FACILITIES (CC ROAD, DRAIN, & CAP) AT MAIN MARKET YARD OF APMC BELLARY UNDER RIDF-28 SCHEME 2022-23." Through e-procurement only in 2 cover system on item rate basis. The tenders are required to submit the requisite details through website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in as per KTTP rules and norms.

1.APMC/2023-24/BD/WORK-INDENT22

01.PRE BID meeting date & time: **26.12.2023 11.30 AM Onwards.** 02.Last date & time for receipt of tenders: **29.12.2023 4.00 PM Onwards.** 03.Date & time for opening of technical Bid: **01.12.2023 4.30 PM Onwards.** 04.Date & time for opening of technical Bid: **15.01.2024 11.00 AM Onwards**

Any Additional information and conditions can be obtained from website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in or by contacting Karnataka government E-procurement help desk, 080-22485867 or secretary APMC, BELLARY , 08392-250442 on all working days. If any changes in the tender notification shall be made known only in the website. APMC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons.

Sd/- Secretary APMC.Ballari Sd/- Administrator APMC.Ballari

DIPR/Ballari/564/KSMCA/2023-24

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
Divisional Office Building
No. 6 Shri Vasavi Temple Road,
Near Sajjan Rao Circle, VV Puram
Bangalore, Karnataka, 560004

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

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The reserve price Schedule- A Property is **Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty lakhs only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 6,00,000/- (Rupees Six Lakhs only).**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule A : Flat bearing No. 408th floor, A Block, Dhathri Residence, Survey No.37/1 with an approximate super build up area of 1315 sq ft and approximate UDS of 398.82 sq ft, Opp Aratt Felicita Apartments, Near St Ignatius Church, Begur- Akshaynagara Road, Begur, Bangalore South Taluk-560068 and **bounded by : East :** Open Space/passage, **West :** Begur Woods property, **North :** Flat No 409, **South :** Flat No.407.

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Date : 15.12.2023 Sd/- Authorized Officer
Place: Bangalore The Karur Vysya Bank Limited.

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI

JNANAJYOTHINAGAR BRANCH
No 32/33, Press Layout Bus Stop, Ullal Village Main Rd, Muneshwara Nagar, Bengaluru-56.

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule-8 (1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12), read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **29.09.2023** calling upon the **borrower Mr Heeralal Choudhary & Mrs Prem Latha.** No 1163 10th Cross, Ashok Nagar, BSK 1st Stage , Bangalore-560050 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 1,76,63,453.03** (Rupees One Crore, Seventy Six Lakhs, Sixty Three Thousand, Four Hundred And Fifty Three And Three Paisa)plus interest within 60 (sixty) days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this the **14th December 2023** .

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Bank of India for an amount of **Rs 1,76,63,453.03**(One Crore, Seventy Six Lakhs, Sixty Three Thousand, Four Hundred And Fifty Three And Three Paisa) plus interest thereon from **29.09.2023** .

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

Equitable mortgage of all the piece and parcel of Residential house Property bearing No.333 (P-II), situated in Sector-'G', Ideal Homes Township (layout developed by The Ideal Homes Co-Operative Society Ltd., Bangalore Approved by BDA), in Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, Presently comes under the BBMP Limits, Ward No.160, BBMP Municipal Khatha No.1749/333/1708/1587, measuring East to West: 60 feet., North to South: 40 feet., totally admeasuring 2,400 Square feet, along with constructed building comprising of Ground & First Floor (Duplex House) with Granite Flooring, Jungle Wood Doors & Windows, with all civic amenities, and bounded by; East by : Site No.332, West by : Road No.D, North by : Cross Road No.4, South by : Site No.331.

Date : 14.12.2023 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bengaluru Bank of India

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
Divisional Office Building, No.6, Shri Vasavi Temple Road, Near Sajjan Rao Circle, V V Puram, Bangalore - 560004,

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DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule A : All that piece and parcel of Five Squares Ground Floor portion House property bearing Municipal No. 14/3, PID No. 7-59-14/3 with an undivided share of land of 50% or 406 Sqft, situated at 6th B.Cross, Gokula 1st stage, 4th Phase, Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, now known as Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Ward No.7, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 14.6 feet, and North to South 56-0 feet in all measuring 812 Sq.ft., and bounded on the. Bounded as follows: East by: Formerly Eastern Portion of site bearing Municipal No.14/3, Now Municipal No.14/3/1, West by: Property No.24, North by: Road, South by: Conservancy and property No.35.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

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Date : 15.12.2023 Sd/- Authorized Officer
Place: Bangalore THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
(ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ಇಲಾಖೆ)

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ,ವಿಜಯಪುರ

ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂ:08352-277816, ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್:08352-277817
ಇ-ಮೇಲ್:zpebjp9@yahoo.co.in

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಕಾಇಂ/ಪಂ.ರಾ.ಇ.ವಿ/ವಿಜ/ಇಪ್ರಾ/ಟೆಂಡರ್/2023-24/ ದಿನಾಂಕ:07.12.2023

ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

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ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಪಂ.ರಾ.ಇಂ. ವಿಭಾಗ, ವಿಜಯಪುರ.

ವಾಸಾಸಂ/ಇ/ವಿಜಯಪುರ/334/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/2023-24

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

CARRIAGE & WAGON WORKS

TENDER NOTICE NO: CBCDROPPINGWAGON2023

For and on behalf of President of India, Chief Workshop Manager. Carriage & Wagon Works. Southern Railway, Perambur, Chennai -23 invites e-tender for the following work as per the tender notice given in e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in.**

Name of work:- Dismantling & Fitment of Centre Buffer Coupler (CBC) & components in Wagons in the premises of Carriage & Wagon Workshop, Perambur

Approximate Cash value (₹)	Earnest Money Deposit (₹)	Bidding start date
(1)	(2)	(3)
1,69,14,432.00	2,34,600.00	02/01/2024

(4) **Tender closing date and time:** 16/01/2024 at 11.00 Hrs.
(5) **Cost of tender form:** Nil
(6) **Period of Completion in months:** 12

Similar Nature of Work: Cutting/Stripping Repair/ Assembly/ Maintenance/ Manufacture and supply of Components/ Sub-assemblies of Railway Rolling Stock (Coach/Wagon/ DEMU/MEMU/ SPART/ Locomotive/ Metro Coach) in any unit of Indian Railways/Public Sector Undertaking units. (OR) Steel fabrication for defence/ shipping establishments/Railway applications/Heavy duty mobile machinery & plants for Govt. sector, manufactures for structural works of Refineries. Chemical, Cement Industries (OR) Manufacturing/Rebuilding/Rehabilitation/Renewal/Corrosion Repair attention/Modification/Fabrication work of Railway Rolling Stock (Coach/Wagon/ DEMU MEMU/ SPART/ Locomotive/ Metro Coach) in any unit of Indian Railways Public Sector Undertaking units/ Corporations of Central Government or State Government.

Website Address : www.ireps.gov.in

Office Address: Chief Workshop Manager,
Carriage & Wagon Works, Southern Railway, Ayanavaram, Chennai - 600 023.

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Karnataka State Seed & Organic Certification Agency

(A Govt. of Karnataka Organization)
Opp. Baptist Hospital, Ballari Road, Hebbal,
Bengaluru-560 024. Ph: 080-23419418
E-mail: **dscbng@gmail.com,** website: **www.kssoca.karnataka.gov.in**
No.: KSSOCA/ADM/EST/ E-tender /Out Source/2023-24 Date: 16.12.2023

SHORT-TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-Procurement Portal)

Karnataka State Seed and Organic Certification Agency invites e-procurement tenders from reputed Manpower providers for outsourcing the services of Seed Certification Officers, Organic Certification Officers, PS/PA to The Chairman, PA to The Director, Computer Operator-cum-Office Assistants, Drivers, D Group (Attenders/Watchman) as per KTPP Act, 1999 and Rule 2000.

The Tender application must be submitted with separate Technical and Commercial bids electronic formats only through e-procurement Portal. **(http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).**

The tender details can be downloaded in the above e-procurement Portal free of cost from **16.12.2023 to 30.12.2023 before 5.00 p.m.** The last date for submission of e-tender through online is **30.12.2023 up to 5.00 p.m.**

Sd/- Joint Director of Seed Certification, KSSOCA, Bengaluru

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DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel do the Residential Land and Building Situated at Site No 20, Katha No 20/20, Property Measurement East and West 37 Sq ft, North and South 53 Sq ft, With Total Extent of 1961 Sq.ft, Chikkabanahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk. Bounded on : East By: B Anjinappa Property, West By: Road, North By: Road, South By: Road.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential flat bearing No.416, in Fourth Floor of Lilly Block in a residential apartment known as "EDEN BLOSSOMS" with a total super built up area of 1155 Sq.Ft and 450.45 Sq.ft of undivided share on the land situated in Sy No.33/1, bearing Khatha No, 134/471/33/1, at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and Bounded on: East By: BDA property, West by: 60 feet BDA Road, North By: BDA property, South By: 40 feet Road.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

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Place: Bangalore THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-TENDER NOTICE

Tender No : WRD/KWA-CE(SR)/TR/7902/2022_5_7_6/RC 1/1

Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) - 2022 - 23 CWSS to 13 Panchayaths based on Malankara Reservoir - Package - VII - Moonilavu Panchayath - Providing transmission mains, Construction of service reservoirs, Providing Distribution networks and FHTCs and allied works. EMD: Rs. 5,00,000/-; Tender fee: Rs. 16540 + (2978) GST; Last Date for submitting Tender: 05-01-2024, 03:00:pm. Phone : 0481 2562745
Website: www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in

Superintending Engineer
KWA-JB-GL-6-1844-2023-24 PH Circle, Kottayam

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ನಾಗರೀಕ ಸರಬರಾಜು ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ

(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಒಂದು ಉದ್ಯಮ)
ನಂ. 16/ಐ, ಮಿಲ್ಲರ್ಸ್ ಟ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಬೆಡ್ ಏರಿಯಾ, ವಸಂತನಗರ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-52
ದೂ: 080-22096650, 22096654

ಸಂ.: ಕಆನಾಸನಿನಿ/ಕ.ಬೆಂ.ಬೆ/TPA/II/2023-24 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15.12.2023

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ

2023-24ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಬೆಂಬಲ ಬೆಲೆ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ರೈತರಿಂದ ಭತ್ತ, ರಾಗಿ ಮತ್ತು ಜೋಳ ಖರೀದಿಸಲು ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಆದೇಶವಾಗಿದ್ದು, ರಾಗಿ ಮತ್ತು ಜೋಳ ಗುಣಮಟ್ಟ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆಗೆ ಮೂರನೇ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ ಅಸ್ಸೆಯರ್ ನೇಮಿಸುವ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ನಾಗರಿಕ ಸರಬರಾಜು ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತವು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕಆನಾಸನಿನಿ/ಕ.ಬೆಂ.ಬೆ/TPA/II/2023-24 ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಿ.

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DEPARTMENT FOR THE EMPOWERMENT OF DIFFERENTLY ABLED AND SENIOR CITIZENS

Podium Block, V.V.Tower, Ground Floor, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Veedhi Road, Bangalore 560 001, Telephone : 080-22866066, 080-22866046 Email Address :dirdwdscka@gmail.com

No: DEDASC/2023-24/IND0014 Date :15.12.2023

Tender Notification
(Through E-Procurement only)

Tender is invited by the Director, Department for the Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, under e-Procurement platform/e-portal in two parts (i.e., Technical bid and Financial bid) system from the original vehicle equipment manufacturers or their authorized dealers for supply of approximate 4000 Motorised Two Wheeler 124CC and above (Gearless) (Tubeless Tyre) (BS-VI) with Retrofitment of additional two wheels attachment for the use of severely affected orthopedically handicapped persons for the year 2023-24 (Approximate bid amount is Rs.3600.00 Lakhs) The interesting bidders may see further details and may login in website : **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

The tender can be submitted on or **before 16.01.2024 till 04:00 p.m.** Pre-bid meeting is on **27.12.2023 at 11:00 a.m.,** the technical bid will be opened on **18.01.2024 at 03:00 p.m.** and the financial bid will be opened on **23.01.2024 at 04:00 p.m.** Department reserves all rights to accept, reject, incorporate changes and retender without giving any reasons. The details can be obtained from the Department for the Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, Podium Block, V.V. Tower, Dr. B.

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people arrested in a $275 million tax fraud case in Chile that officials call the country's biggest

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LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	29	16	SNY	Los Angeles	26	17	LC
Colombo	29	24	LC	Melbourne	25	12	HR
Dhaka	32	27	SNY	Moscow	21	8	HR
Dubai	39	31	SNY	New York	26	16	LC
Houston	31	23	SNY	Singapore	32	27	SNY
Istanbul	29	17	SNY	Toronto	19	11	LC
London	24	13	LC	Washington	27	14	SNY

ASIA MATTERS

SINGAPORE

CITIZENS ENCOURAGED TO WEAR MASK

As Singapore's Covid-19 cases continue to rise, the Ministry of Health (MOH) said it "strongly encourages" people to wear a face mask in crowded places even if they are not ill, especially indoors or when visiting vulnerable people. The ministry said on Friday that the estimated number of Covid-19 cases from December 3 to 9 increased to 56,043, a 75% jump compared with 32,035 cases in the previous week. "We urge the public to seek medical treatment at a hospital's emergency department only for serious or life-threatening emergencies," stressed the ministry

THAILAND

VISA FREE TRAVEL FOR JAPANESE BIZMEN

Thailand has announced to waive visa requirements for Japanese business travellers. The move will come into effect from January 1, 2024 and will continue till December 31, 2026. Now, Japanese nationals holding passports or travel documents can enter Thailand for business purposes and stay for up to 30 days without needing a visa

INDONESIA

GOVT BLOCKS 4000 GAMBLING ACCOUNTS

Indonesian government agency Financial Services Authority (OJK) which regulates the financial services sector has blocked 4000 online gambling accounts in the past three months to safeguard people from the economic and social dangers of online gambling. "In the past three months, we have ordered banks to block more than four thousand online gambling accounts," Dian Ediana Rae, OJK Chief Executive of Banking Supervision said on Saturday. The agency has ordered banks to block accounts suspected of being used for illegal activities

YOTAM HAIM
The 28-year-old drummer for the heavy metal band Persephore was abducted by Hamas from Kibbutz Kfar Aza on October 7 and was taken hostage to Gaza

SAMAR FOUAD TALALKA
The 22-year-old was working in the Kibbutz Nir Am hatchery, where he often did the weekend shifts. He was taken captive on October 7 by Hamas

ALON LULU SHAMRIZ
The 26-year-old was a computer engineering student. His parents are from Iran. He was also kidnapped by Hamas on October 7 from Kibbutz Kfar Aza

3 hostages mistakenly killed by Israel were waving a white flag

They were shirtless and had emerged from a building close to Israeli soldiers' positions

JERUSALEM

THREE Israeli hostages who were mistakenly shot by Israeli troops in the Gaza Strip had been waving a white flag and were shirtless when they were killed, an Israeli military official said on Saturday.

The account of how the hostages died also raised questions about the conduct of Israeli ground troops. Palestinians on several occasions reported that Israeli soldiers opened fire as civilians tried to flee to safety. The military official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said it was likely that the hostages had been abandoned by their militant captors or had escaped. The soldiers' behaviour was "against our rules of engagement," the official said, and was being investigated at the highest level.

The three, all young men in their 20s, were killed on Friday in the Gaza City area of Shijaiyah.

The military official said the three hostages had emerged from a building close to Israeli soldiers' positions. They were waving a white flag and were shirtless, possibly in an effort to signal they posed no threat.

Two were killed immediately, and the third ran back into the building screaming for help in Hebrew. The commander issued an order to ceasefire, but another burst of gunfire killed the third man, the official said.

Israeli media gave a more detailed account. The mass circulation daily *Yediot Ahronot* said that according to an investigation, a sniper identified the three hostages as suspects when they emerged from the building, despite them not being armed, and shot two of the three.

Soldiers followed the third when he ran into the building and hid, shouting at him to come out and at least one soldier shot him when he emerged from a staircase, *Yediot Ahronot* said.

Anger over the mistaken killings is likely to increase pressure on the Israeli government to renew Qatar-mediated negotiations with Hamas over swapping more captives for Palestinians imprisoned in Israel.

AP

Al Jazeera journalist killed in Israeli strike

Dozens of mourners held funeral prayers on Saturday for Samer Abu Daqqa, a Palestinian journalist working for *Al Jazeera* network who was killed on Friday in an Israeli strike in Khan Younis. As per Committee to Protect Journalists, the cameraman was the 64th journalist to be killed since the conflict erupted.

Communication blackout worsens suffering in Gaza

RAFAH

A prolonged communications blackout that severed telephone and internet connections compounded the misery Saturday in the besieged Gaza Strip, where a United Nations agency said hunger levels had spiralled in recent days.

Internet and telephone lines went down on Thursday evening and were still inaccessible on Saturday morning, according to internet access advocacy group NetBlocks.org, hampering aid deliveries and rescue efforts as Israel's war against Gaza's ruling militant group Hamas stretched into the 11th week.

"The internet blackout is ongoing, and based on our records, it is the longest such incident in the over-two-month war," said Alp Toker, the group's director. The United Nations' humanitarian affairs department said communications with Gaza were 'severely disrupted' due to damage to telecommunications lines in the south.

The offensive, triggered by the unprecedented Oct 7 Hamas attack on Israel, has flattened much of northern Gaza and driven 85% of Gaza's population of 2.3 million from their homes. Displaced people have squeezed into shelters mainly in the south in a spiralling humanitarian crisis.

Residents in northern Gaza meanwhile reported heavy bombing and the sounds of gunbattles overnight and into Saturday in devastated Gaza City and Jabaliya.

"It was a violent bombardment," Asad Abu Taha said by phone from the Shijaiyah neighborhood, adding that contact with others was difficult because of the telecommunications interruptions. "We don't know what's happening."

An *AP* journalist in southern Gaza also reported airstrikes and tank shelling overnight in Khan Younis and Rafah. With only a trickle of aid able to enter Gaza and distribution disrupted by fighting, the UN's World Food Programme reported a surge from 38% to 56% in the number of displaced households experiencing severe levels of hunger in the space of under two weeks.

AP

EXPRESS READ

Royal Navy shot down drone over Red Sea: UK

London: A Royal Navy warship has shot down a suspected attack drone targeting commercial ships in the Red Sea, Britain's defence secretary said on Saturday. Grant Shapps said HMS Diamond fired a Sea Viper missile and destroyed a drone that was "targeting merchant shipping." The action is the first time the Royal Navy has shot down an aerial target since the 1991 Gulf War. "The UK remains committed to repelling these attacks to protect the free flow of global trade," he said.

First artificial rain in Lahore to combat smog

Lahore: Lahore, one of the world's most polluted cities, on Saturday received its first artificial rain, following an experiment conducted by Pakistan's Punjab government with the help of the UAE to combat smog. The Punjab Caretaker CM Mohsin Naqvi said the experiment was conducted in 10 areas of Lahore and it was successful. "Light showers were witnessed in the 10 areas of 15 km radius. The results of experiment are being further gauged," he said.

Putin nominated as an independent in presidential polls

MOSCOW

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin's supporters on Saturday formally nominated him to run in the 2024 presidential election as an independent candidate, state news agencies reported.

The nomination by a group of at least 500 supporters is mandatory under Russian election law for those not running on a party ticket. Independent candidates also need to gather at least 3,00,000 signatures in their support.

The group that nominated Putin included top officials from the ruling United Russia party, prominent Russian actors and singers, athletes and other figures.

"Whoever is ready to support the candidacy of Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin for the post of president of Russia, please vote. Who's in favour?" Mikhail Kuznetsov, head of the executive committee of the People's Front, asked those gathered. The People's Front is a political coalition, founded in 2011 by Putin.

After the vote, Kuznetsov announced that the group had voted unanimously to nominate Putin.

According to Russian election laws, candidates put forward by a party that isn't represented in the State Duma or in at least a third of regional legislatures have to submit at least 1,00,000 signatures from 40 or more regions. Those running independently of any party would need a minimum of 3,00,000 signatures from 40 regions or more. Those requirements apply to Putin as well, who has used different tactics over the years. He ran as an independent in 2018 and his campaign gathered signatures. In 2012, he ran as a nominee of the Kremlin's United Russia party, so there was no need to gather signatures. *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that our client **Mr.KANTHILAL**, aged about 59 years, S/o Nemichand, residing at Kankriya Nivas, No.1277, 2nd Cross, Main Road, Marathahalli, Bangaore-560037, represents that the Original Sale deed dated 09.09.1992, Registered as Document No.3871/92-93, in Book-1, Volume No.538 pages 79 to 81 in the office of the Sub Registrar Krishnarajapura, executed by **Smt.Nanjamma** to and in favour of **Sri.V.S.Sridhar,** in respect to the **SCHEDULE PROPERTY** mentioned hereunder is lost/misplace and not traceable.

If anybody other than the said **Mr.Kanthilal** has any claim, right, title and interest on the **SCHEDULE PROPERTY** by virtue of being in possession or above said Original Documents, or any Rights they should file their claim with documentary proof within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of issuance of this Public Notice in our office, at the address mentioned below, failing which, it will be taken for granted that nobody has any manner of right, title, interest or claim over the **SCHEDULE PROPERTY** other than the said Mr.Kanthilal.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immoveable Property bearing **Site No.30,** Katha No.440/2, Situated at **Doddanekkundi Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore,** erliar comes under the Limits of Mahadevapura CMC. now comes under the limits of BBMP, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40.6 feet, in all measuring **1218 Sq.feet** and bounded on the:

East by : Property No.33;
West by : Property 29;
North by : Property No.31;
South by : 25 feet Road;

Shruthi.S, Advocate
Unit No.101, 1st Floor, No.663,
at 3rd Cross, Opp: to Karnataka Bank,
K.R.Puram, Bangalore-560036.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that my client **Smt. Sindu Ashwin,** D/o Sri A.S. Vishnubharath residing at No.105/1, Rathnamahal, Survyor Street, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560 004. is intending to purchase the schedule property from **(1)** Sri N. Devraju, S/o K.V. Narayanamurthy and **(2)** Smt. Gowri .S, W/o N. Devaraju both are residents of No.34, 1st Main Road, Kasthuri Ba Nagar, Mysore Road, Bengaluru -560 026.

If anybody has any claims or interest over the schedule property or objection to the Sale transaction, may file their claim or objections to the under signed in writing with supporting documents **within 7 days** from the date of publication of this notice. If any claim or objections are not received within the stipulated time, my client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction to purchase the property free from all encumbrance.

Any claims received beyond 15 days will not be considered

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Sy.No. 309, totally measuring 5 acres 22 guntas, including 0-04 gunta of A-Kharab, situated at Rayasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and bounded on: **East by:** Land bearing Sy.No.310, **West by:** Land bearing Sy.No.167 of Gomala land, **North by:** Land bearing Sy.No.308, **South by:** Land bearing Sy.No.167 of Gomala land.

C.V. ANNAIAH, Advocate
No. 72/15, Ground Floor,
BTS Main Road, Wilson Garden,
Bengaluru-560030.
Ph: 9448316104. Date: 16/12/2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our Client has negotiated the purchase of the Immovable Property more-fully described in the Schedule hereunder **"Schedule Property"** from its present owner **Sri B.S.VENKATACHALAPATHY,** aged about 75 years, son of Late M.S.Raman, residing at # 157/4, Coconut Avenue Road, Malleswaram, Bangalore-560 003.

If any Person/s, Bank/Society/Firm or anybody having any right, title, interest, lien or claims over the below-mentioned property, may lodge his/her/their objections/claims, if any, in writing with authenticated documentary evidence, to the undersigned within **TEN DAYS** from the date of issuance of this Public Notice, failing which it shall be construed by our client that there are no claims/objections of whatsoever nature in respect of the Schedule Property and the intended transaction will be finalized by our client as if no such claims exist or that they have been waived or abandoned and our client will go ahead with the intended sale transaction in respect of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of **Vacant Site** bearing **Present # 5/2** (earlier No.5) [Old Site Nos.4,5,6,6A & 6/2], situated at 5th Cross, Nagashettihalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, formed out of Sy No.22/4, House List Khatha No.337, **Presently** coming under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No.18-Radhakrishna Temple Ward, Bangalore (PID No.100-247-5/2), measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 50 Feet, in all measuring 1500 Sq. Feet and bounded on the :

East by : Portion of Site No.5
West by : Portion of Site No.5
North by : Portion of Site No.5
South by : Road

G.SREENIVAS
Vruksha Law Chambers,
Advocates & Consultants
Ground Floor, Chitrapur Bhavan, 8th Main,
15th Cross Malleswaram,
Bangalore – 560 055. Date : 17.12.2023

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer,
Project Central-3, BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560002.

No: EE/PC-3/TEND/02/2023-24 Date: 16-12-2023

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) - (SHORT TERM)
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Project Central-3), BBMP, Bengaluru invites short term Proposals (Technical and Financial) for appointing Consultant for work detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Porject	EMD Amount (in Rs.)
1	"Consultancy Services for Assisting in Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the Comprehensive Development of Roads by Providing White Topping Hennur Baglur Road from Hennur Cross to Baglur Cross Road in Bengaluru City for the year 2023-24" **(Package-8)**	**15,650/- (To be paid through KPP Portal only)**

Calendar of Events: 1) Request for Proposal (RFP) Document may be downloaded from the GOK KPP Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 18-12-2023 onwards. 2)** Last Date for Receipt of Queries is **20-12-2023 upto 17.30 Hours in e-Portal. 3)** Pre Bid Meeting will be held on **21-12-2023 at 15.00 Hours at the Office of the Chief Engineer (Project Central). 4)** Last Date for Submission of Proposals: **26-12-2023 uput 17.30 Hours. 5)** Date of Opening of Technical Proposals: **28-12-2023 at 11.30 Hours.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Project Central-3 Division, BBMP.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer,
Project Central-4 Division, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-560002.

No: EE/P.C-4/TEND/01/2023-24 Date: 16-12-2023

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) - (SHORT TERM)
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Project Central-4), BBMP, Bengaluru invites short term Proposals (Technical and Financial) for appointing Consultant for work detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Porject	EMD Amount (in Rs.)
1	"Consultancy Services for Assisting in Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the Comprehensive Development of Roads by Providing White Topping in Sarvagna Nagara and Pulikeshi Nagara Constituencies in Bengaluru City" **(Package-1)**	**27,500/- (To be paid through KPP Portal only)**

Calendar of Events: 1) Request for Proposal (RFP) Document may be downloaded from the GOK KPP Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 18-12-2023 onwards. 2)** Last Date for Receipt of Queries is **20-12-2023 upto 17.30 Hours in e-Portal. 3)** Pre Bid Meeting will be held on **21-12-2023 at 15.00 Hours at the Office of the Chief Engineer (Project Central). 4)** Last Date for Submission of Proposals: **26-12-2023 uput 17.30 Hours. 5)** Date of Opening of Technical Proposals: **28-12-2023 at 11.30 Hours.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Project Central-4 Division, BBMP.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that my client **Mr. Anand .P,** S/o A. Ponnusamy, aged about 37 years, R/at:HS-240, H-1 Block, Ittina Neela Apartment, Ananthapura, Electronic City Post, Bengaluru560100, he and his wife are the Joint owner of the property bearing Flat No.302, A Block, on Third Floor, Residential apartment Building known as "SV SHELTERS", having a Super built up area of 996 Sq.ft, undivided measuring 565 Sq.fts, situated at Heelalige Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District, we have purchased the said property Vide registered sale deed document No.ABL-1-10659/2023-24, dated:23/11/2023, registered in the office of sub Registrar Attibele and on 02/12/2023, He keep the above original sale deed along with Adhaar Cards, Pan Cards, Driving License, Car RC Card, Honda Active RC Card, Honda Aviator RC Card, Cheque Books and Credit and debit Cards (SBI, Axis, IDFC, ICICI, HDFC and KVB Bank cheque Books and Credit, debit Cards), Passport vide NO.V1176483, Dell Laptop, which are belongs to him and his wife all are inside Bag and the same is kept inside the car bearing No.PY-05-L-1519 and the said car was parked in front of the Government Hospital Chandapura at around 06:15 PM, He went to buy some vegetables in the chandapura market, he came back around 06:50 PM and He noticed that, some unknown persons are broken his car door glass and theft the Adhaar Cards, Pan Cards, Driving License, Car RC Card, Honda Activa RC Card, Honda Aviator RC Card, Cheque Books and Credit and debit Cards (SBI, Axis, IDFC, ICICI, HDFC and KVB Bank cheque Books and Credit, debit Cards), Passport vide NO.V1176483, Dell Laptop, along with the above said Registered Sale deed document No.ABL-1-10659/2023-24, dated:23/11/2023, registered in the office of sub Registrar Attibele, Immediately my client approached the Suryanagar Police station and lodged the complaint against unknown persons, the Suryanagar Police have Registered the FIR against unknown persons in Crime No.547/2023, for the offence Punishable U/s 379 of IPC.

In this regard my client has also preferred a police complaint on 16/12/2023 before the Inspector of police, Suryanagar Police station and the police taken complaint on file on 16/12/2023 in PETITION No.1494/2144/2023 & GSC No.PO2144230601103 that my client has not created any charge over the property covered under the above said documents. If found, the documents may kindly be delivered to the undermentioned address, any objection from the concerned public will not be entertained or bind my client after **7 days** from the date of this public notice.

H.V. VIKRAM, IMRAN .B
Advocates & Consultant
No.7, 1st Floor, STB Complex, Near Court,
Attibele Road, Anekal Town, Bangalore
Dist. Ph:9880462590, 9886772594.

Government of Odisha
Office of the Chief Construction Engineer Rural Works Circle, Angul
0-1819 E-Mail - sencrwangul@yahoo.co.in, Ph: 06764 - 236404

e-Procurement Notice for Bridge works in Odisha / Bid Identification No. Bridge Online AGL- 35/2023-24
No.3197 // Dt. 14/12/2023

1. Name of the work : Bridge works
2. Total No. of work : 07 Nos.
3. Estimated cost : Rs.106.90 Lakhs to Rs.783.09 Lakhs
4. Class of Contractor : "B", 'A' & Special Class
5. Period of completion : As per Annexure
6. Other details :

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Available of Tender on-line for bidding		Last Date & TIme of seeking tender clarification	Date & time of opening of tender	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Angul	Bridge Online-AGL-35/2023-24	27.12.23 at 10.00 A.M	12.01.24 up to 5.00 P.M	11.01.24 up to 1.00 P.M	16.01.2024 at 11.00 A.M	Will be intimated separately

(1) For detailed Notice inviting Tenders, Please visit to the website www.tenderorissa.gov.in

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No:CMC/KGF/AEE/TND/08/2023-24 Date:16.12.2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement Only)

(1) City Municipal Council Robertsonpet KGF, invites Tenders from the eligible tenders, for the construction and Supply of Goods and Service works detailed in the table below. **Two cover tender procedure** as per rule 28 of the KTPP rules 2000 shall be followed. **(2)** Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-procurement website **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in (3)** Tenders must be accompanied with earnest money deposit which will be paid online only through e-procurement website: **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in (4)** Tenders must be electronically submitted in e-procurement portal. **(5)** Further information if required can be obtained from the office of the City Municipal Council, Robersonpet, KGF during working hours. **(6)** Head of account: SBM 1.0 Grants.

Name of Work: DMA/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT9694. Estimated cost: Rs.385.25 Lakhs. E.M.D : **Rs. 5,78,000/-.** Applicable Tender Document: **KW4.** Class of Contractor/ Category: **Class II and above**

(a) Last date & time for receipt of tenders : **26.12.2023** Time: **5.00 P.M. (b)** Date & time for opening of technical bid : **27.12.2023** Time: **5.30 P.M. (c)** Date & Time for opening of financial bid : **28.12.2023** Time: **12.00 P.M.**

Sd/-
(Sri.Akram Pasha IAS)
Deputy Commissioner, Kolar,
Administrator CMC, KGF

Sd/-
(Sri.K.M.Pavan Kumar KMAS)
Municipal Commissioner
CMC, KGF

DIPR/KOLAR/R.O.No. 273/KSMCA/2023-24

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Project-Central-10 Division,
BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-560002.

No.EE/PC-10/TEND/01/2023-24 Date:16.12.2023

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER(IFT)
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Project-Central-10 Division invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the works detailed in the table below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	EMD (in Rs.)
1	"Consultancy Services for assisting in preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the Comprehensive Development of Roads by providing White Topping in Govindarajanagar and Vijayanagar Constituencies in Bengaluru City" **(Package-3).**	**21,500/-** (To be paid through KPP Portal only)

1) Availability of REP Document: **18.12.2023 onwards. 2)** Last date for receipt of queries : **20.12.2023 upto 17.30 Hrs. 3)** Pre-bid meeting: **21.12.2023 at 15.00 Hrs. 4)** Last date for submission of proposals: **26.12.2023, upto 17:30 Hrs. 5)** Date of opening of technical proposals: **28.12.2023 at 11:30 Hrs.** Further details can be accessed from GoK e-procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact undersigned office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Project - Central-10 Division.

21 firms including Reliance, Adani New Industries, L&T and Bharat Heavy Electricals have bid for government's incentives to set up 3.4 GW of annual capacity. Electrolyser is required for hydrogen production

'All economic data understate country's GDP growth rate'

'We need to update base year and when we do it, our economic growth will be higher'

EVEN as the Indian economy emerged stronger after the second quarter GDP numbers, there are a few pain points that need to be addressed. **Dipak Mondal** and **Monika Yadav** in an interview with **Sanjeev Sanyal**, member, Economic Advisory Council of the Prime Minister (PM-EAC) discusses these issues. Here're excerpts:

We have been able to generate a 7% GDP growth rate under these circumstances suggests this economy is capable of sustaining 8% plus growth rate in a benign external environment

The PM is likely to unveil a Vision Document for 2047. What are the broad contours of that vision?

The next 25 years, which is the Amrit Kal, is not merely the coincidence of it being the 75th to 100 year (of independence) phase. It also coincides with many other things that are happening. This is also the 25 years where we will be at our demographic peak. Between now and then, the proportion of the population of working age will rapidly rise and then fall.

This is a phase where we will first go past Germany in the next 18 months and then the next 18 months we will go past Japan to become the world's third-largest economy. Our per capita income still needs to go through a sharp upwards shift. So our effort will be to go through that so that extreme poverty is completely eliminated.

This is the phase where we will emerge after many centuries as a global power – not just as an economy but also in a geo strategic sense. We missed the first industrial revolution, and didn't participate in the industrial revolution 2.0 (of mid-20th century). We did participate in the third industrial revolution (IT and software boom) in a limited way. But as the world is embarking on Industrial Revolution 4.0, we have an opportunity of being a serious world power as technologies, which are now emerging like space technology and AI, we have capabilities. This is a real opportunity of providing global leadership in the new Industrial Revolution cycle.

So, the next 25 years is a very crucial phase in terms of a wider economic cycle. We are not just building an economy but rebuilding a civilization.

India's Q2 GDP growth exceeded most estimates. The RBI has revised upwards FY24 growth to 7%. Do you think this rate is sustainable and will we see 8% plus growth in the near future?

We are achieving 7% growth in a difficult environment where we are not getting any help from exports, and the world has tightened monetary policies. So, we are achieving (such high) growth rate on our own steam under difficult circumstances suggests India's economic machine is in good shape, and importantly without any macroeconomic stress – inflation is not spiking up, current account is not blowing up or foreign exchange reserves have not declined.We have been able to generate a 7% growth rate under these circumstances suggests this economy is capable of sustaining 8% plus growth rate in a benign external environment.

Manufacturing sector grew at 14% in Q2, but it was largely due to low-base effects. Share of manufacturing GVA as a percentage of GDP is below 14%. Can we achieve the target of 25% share of the sector in GDP?

The contribution of manufacturing gross value added (GVA) as a percentage of gross domestic product (GDP) will go up to 25%, but it will take time. The share of agriculture is falling, and we are building capacities in areas such as defence, chemicals, and electronics. There are a huge amount of industrial activities that are happening in the country.

There is this perception that rich people are leaving the country...

There may be some who are, but then there are also new people who are becoming rich through entrepreneurship, we are creating unicorns. Some people are moving back also. There's a continuous churn. Have you done any research on how many people are coming back to India as well?

We want India to be a good place to live, including the rich, and we want our best entrepreneurs to live in India.

If there are issues, we are happy to fix them. But is it the case that a few thousand people moving out of India is destabilising our growth engine? Probably not. In any large country, a few thousand will always move out, but there are also those who lived abroad for years and are coming back setting up something here. Somebody has to research what the net number is, and if it is growing then we need to fix it.

Q&A

Both pro and government critics have raised concern on quality of GDP numbers. As a member of PM-EAC what is your view, and how is the government addressing this issue?

There is a serious issue with the quality of GDP number, an issue that the PM-EAC has raised many times.

It is obvious that our statistics undercount economic activities. Almost all series are based on the base year of 2011-12. We need to update the base year and when we do it, our economic growth will be higher. These numbers understate economic development in the country due to the outdated base.

Is that the only problem, the base year?

This is the major problem. Other minor problems arise because of that. This is a serious problem – you can't have a base where you are still counting the number of transistors, black and white TVs, etc.

How frequently should we change the base year?

We should change it at least once a decade. When we are going through such rapid changes, you should change it more frequently because many new products are emerging. In 2011-12, smartphones weren't with everybody, you didn't have drones. Now it's a major production item. There are 500 other things like this which are major items of production today but didn't exist 13-14 years ago. You talk about rapid development but we are not going to account for it, how this will work.

The tax-GDP ratio has been stagnant for a long time at around 17%. What is the government doing to address this issue?

The tax buoyancy is causing the ratio to go up. But you don't want it to be at the European levels. If you have a European level tax-to-GDP ratio, you will also get European level growth. European tax rates have damaged their economy. So what is the ideal Tax-GDP ratio for India? That is a matter to be evolved. Nobody has done that exercise, but it is not the European level (at over 30%).

Are there other structural reforms that the government is looking into?

Everybody loves structural reforms like implementation of GST, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) or inflation targeting framework -- however, there are large number of reforms that don't attempt to change the structure of the economy as such, but make the existing one work better. Those are called process reforms.

Thousands of such process reforms are being attempted, which are about making the current system work efficiently. Any such single reform may not be radical but cumulatively they have a huge impact on the economy. I am a big proponent of greater attention being given to these process reforms.

Most of these reforms don't need big political debate, and they are relatively easy to do. They don't even need big money to be done.For example, our patenting system -- we have to just expand it. Nobody is debating that we should not expand the patent system. You need to improve the judicial system, the way registration of land and property is done. These are process reforms and we need to do lots of them.

NEWSCOPE

'TRANSITIONING AWAY' FROM FOSSIL FUELS AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR INDIA

GURBIR SINGH

IT first seemed the world climate change conference at Dubai – Cop28 – was doomed to failure. It had all the elements of a non-starter. The environment summit was being hosted by a petrostate, the United Arab Emirates (UAE). For a conference of 200 countries seeking a reversal of global warming, the presidency was in the hands of Sultan Al-Jaber, head of the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (Adnoc).

In the run-up to the conference, Al Jaber stirred the pot by claiming there is there is "no science" indicating that a phase-out of fossil fuels is needed to restrict global heating to 1.5C. Then the stink got worse. At the peak of the two-week conference letters from the cartel of oil-producing countries, OPEC, revealed member countries had been told to lobby hard against any resolution to 'phase-out' fossil fuels.

Two big wins

Given all this baggage, it was remarkable that the conference ended on a high note. Al-Jaber and the Saudis did not want a failed conference, and some back-channelnegotiations by the Chinese and US delegates turned around a hopeless first draft.

President Sultan Al Jabber struck the gravel, hugged the UN climate chief Simon Steil and announced the passage of a consensus resolution calling upon member countries to 'transition-away' from fossil fuels – oil, gas and coal. It was a historic first time that winding down of fossil fuels had been linked to reversing global warming.

The second big win for Cop28 was the setting up of the long-debated 'Loss and Damages' Fund demanded by the developing countries as a fallback to climate disasters like floods. Compared to the estimated $400 billion climate-related damage caused each year, the initial commitment of the developed world of $700 million may seem like a drop in the ocean. But it is a start to institutionalizing the principle of 'polluters-must-pay'.

Expectedly, the environmentalists aren't happy. The oil and gas producing countries had nixed any direct reference to 'phasing-out' or 'phasing-down' of fossil fuels in the text. There was also confusion in the plenary session where the Alliance of Small Island States – a coalition of 39 countries worst impacted by flooding and climate changes – said they were excluded from the final resolution.

Despite the shortcomings, Dubai marked a qualitative shift. It underlined the need to exit from fossil fuels to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, that accounts for 90% of the global warming. UN climate chief, Simon Steill, summed it well: "Cop28 needed to signal a hard stop to fossil fuels and their planet-burning pollution. We didn't turn the page on the fossil fuel era, but this is clearly the beginning of the end."

SOURAV ROY

Phasing out coal

What does the new anti-fossil fuel language mean for India? Like China and other large developing economies, she is caught in a bind. India's resolution to become a 'green' economy has not been lacking. She has pledged a 50% transition to renewable energy by 2030, and net zero carbon emission by 2070.

India has no oil or gas. But the Achilles Heel is coal. India is today hopelessly dependent – to the extent of over 75% – on coal-generated energy. We are also far from 'transitioning away' from coal. In fact, another 17 gigawatts (GW) of coal capacity expansion is planned over the next 16 months. This year saw an increase in coal-based electricity to make up for a poor monsoon that created a shortfall in hydropower.

India hashad an astonishingly fast growth of renewables – wind, solar, hydropower. From a negligible 35GW in 2014, we are today generating 175 GW from renewable sources. But things have now hit a plateau with energy demands spiking. In the absence of a rapid growth of renewable energy, the state is turning to increasing capacity from coal generation.

In international negotiations, while oil and gas have strong lobbies, coal producers and users have been isolated. The CopP26 summit in Glasgow agreed to a 'phase-down' of coal power, but India's bid to extend the 'phase-down' to all fossil fuels at last year's Cop27 in Egypt was nixed by the oil producers. After that India, along with China, have resisted attempts to put a cap on coalproduction.

Demanding "equity and justice", India and other developing countries have rightly argued that the developed and wealthy countries had contributed much more to the climate crisis by their indiscriminate pollution since the time of the Industrial Revolution in the 18th Century.

"Over the past century, a small section of humanity has indiscriminately exploited nature. However, entire humanity is paying the price for this, especially people living in the global south," Bhupinder Yadav, India's environment minister said in Dubai.

With the new target of 'transitioning away' from fossil fuels, it is only fair that those who have built their growth on the 'dirty coal' era, and are more responsible for global warming, now must finance and pass on new technology to tap renewable energy.

As Cop28 has approved the 'Loss and Damages' Fund to meet climate disaster, it is high time a 'Transition Fund' of $500 billion be set up initially to shoulder part of the burden of the developing world transiting from fossil fuels to renewable energy.

Muthoot Microfin raises ₹285 cr

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

MUTHOOT MICROFIN has raised ₹284.99 crore from anchor investors ahead of its initial public offering.

It has allotted 97,93,812 equity shares to 26 anchor investors. The investors include WCM International small cap growth fund, ICICI Prudential life Insurance, HDFC life insurance, AMC global fund VCC. Muthoot Finance has picked up 10,30,965 shares, 10.53%.

The IPO will open on Monday (Dec 18) and close on Wednesday. Price band has been fixed at ₹277-₹291 per equity. Bids can be made for a minimum of 51 equity shares. It aims to raise ₹960 crore from the issue. "Net proceeds will increase our Tier I capital and the capital adequacy ratio will be utilised for growth in our company's business and assets, primarily towards onward lending under our company's lending verticals," its DRHP states.

Adani Ports divests 49% stake in Ennore Container Terminal

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

ADANI Ports and Special Economic Zone Ltd (APSEZ) has sold 49% stake in Adani Ennore Container Terminal Pvt Ltd (AECTPL) for an equity consideration of ₹247 crore.

Terminal Investment Ltd (TiL), an associate of MSC Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC), will acquire shares through its fully-owned subsidiary Mundi Ltd.

Post deal, APSEZ would hold 51% stake in Ennore Container Terminal, which has the total enterprise value of ₹1,211 crore.

The transaction is expected to be complete within 3-4 months. Ennore terminal has an annual handling capacity of 0.8 million TEUs (Twenty-foot Equivalent Units). The terminal handled 0.55 Mn TEUs in FY23 and 0.45 million TEUs in the initial eight months of the current fiscal year.

Adani International Container Terminal Pvt Ltd (AICTPL), which operates CT3 Container Terminal at Mundra Port, is a joint venture.

"We aim to replicate the AICTPL terminal's success at the Ennore Container Terminal and service the trade needs of the South Indian market," said Karan Adani, chief executive of APSEZ.

Ammar Kanaan, CEO of Terminal Investment, said, "This association will enable us to further improve TiL's presence in one of the world's fastest growing economies and strengthening our offering to customers in the Indian subcontinent."

'Dharavi project awarded by MVA govt in bidding'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DHARAVI Redevelopment Project on Saturday said the slum redevelopment project was awarded to it by the previous Congress-Shiv Sena government (Maha Vikas Aghadi or MVA) through a fair and open international bidding.

In a statement, an Adani Dharavi Redevelopment Project (DRPPL) spokesperson said financial conditions, including the obligations and incentives, were known to all bidders. This came on a day when Uddhav Thackeray's Shiv Sena took a street march from Dharavi to Adani's office in Mumbai to protest Maharashtra government's allegedly favouring the conglomerate.

Business & Beyond

OPGC wins award for energy conservation

Jharasuguda/Bhubaneswar: Odisha Power Generation Corporation Ltd (OPGC) achieved commendable recognition during the State Level celebration of Energy Conservation Week-2023. The corporation secured the prestigious awards at both the national as well as state levels for its exceptional performance in energy conservation. At the National Energy Conservation Awards event held in New Delhi, Odisha Power Generation Corporation garnered the 2nd prize in the Power Plants category of over 100MW capacity. Director-cum-Managing Director Manas Ranjan Rout and Head of Engineering Efficiency Madhumita Soren received this accolade from Minister of New and Renewable Energy, Raj Kumar Singh, with the esteemed presence of President Droupadi Murmu.

South Eastern Railway bags Electrical Engineering shield

Kolkata: The 68th Railway Week Central Function – AtiVishisht Rail Seva Puraskar-2023 was organised at Bharat Mandapam, PragatiMaidan, New Delhi on 15.12.2023. Shri AshwiniVaishnaw, Hon'ble Union Minister for Railways presented the Awards to Railway personnel for their outstanding services and Shields to the Zonal Railways & PSUs for best performance in the particular field. South Eastern Railway has bagged the Electrical Engineering Shield. Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager and Shri Naveen Kumar, Principal Chief Electrical Engineer received the Shield on behalf of South Eastern Railway. Ten employees of SER were also awarded for their exemplary contribution and dedicated service. They are Satyajit Mondal, Sportsperson, Ronald W A Braggs, Chief Commercial Inspector, SamareshTapna, Chief Commercial Inspector, Shalini, Technician Grade-II/Mechanical/C & W, among others.

10 SER employees to be awarded with Ati Vishisht Rail Seva Puraskar, 2023

Kolkata: 68th Railway Week Central Function will be held at New Delhi on 15.12.2023. Railway employees, who have done exemplary work during 2022-23, have been selected for Ati Vishisht Rail Seva Puraskar, 2023. The award ceremony will be held at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi on 15.12.2023. Ten employees of South Eastern Railway have been selected for this prestigious award. Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, General Manager, South Eastern Railway, congratulated the staff for their outstanding achievement and selection for the award. Satyajit Mondal, a dedicated Sportsperson of South Eastern Railway has set an instance of self-worth by winning medals in National and International Gymnastics Tournaments. Ronald W A Braggs, Chief Commercial Inspector, In-charge of Anti-fraud and Ticket Checking Section of SER, strategized, planned, coordinated and executed several initiatives which led to impactful accomplishments through increased ticket checking earnings, prevention of fraudulent activities within railway network and prevention in the leakage of railway revenue.

STATE BANK OF INDIA

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APPENDIX-IV-A

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

Sale Notice of Sale of Immovable Property

(Excluding movable assets, if any, lying in the premises)

E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Asset (Excluding movable assets, if any, lying in the premises)under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of State Bank of India being the Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis on **19.01.2024** for recovery of **Rs.44,50,956/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakh Fifty Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Six Only)** as on **05.12.2023** with future interest,costs expenses etc. due to the State Bank of India, **STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH (SARB), BANGALORE** 3rd Floor, Building No.11/90, Near Old Shivaji Theatre JC Road, Bangalore 560002, from **1) Mr. Vijay Kumar Masoan S/o** Mr. Shanti Swarup **& 2) Mrs. Manisha Masoan W/o** Mr. Vijay Kumar Masoan, **Both at:** Flat No. 001, Saipoorna Heights Appts, HSR Layour Sector 2, Somsunderapalya, Bangalore-560 102 **Also at:** B-688, IDPL Colony, Virbhadra Rishikesh, Uttarakhand-249- 202 **Mr. Vijay Kumar Masoan** Intuit India, 7th Floor, 6A Building, Ecno Space, Pri Tech Park, Bellandur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore-560 103. **Mrs. Manisha Masoan** M/s Infosys Ltd, Plot No.44, Electronic City, Bangalore- 560 100

Tender No. SBIDMN/RVS/1003/SVR/23-24

Absolute Sale Deed No. Absolute Sale Deed No. BTM-1-01806-2015-16 Dated 04.07.2015

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

A/c. No. HTL33076391808

Schedule 'A' Property : All that part and parcel of the converted properties msg 19 gunts in Sy No. 40/1, 4 acres 18 guntas in Sy No. 40/2, 2 Acres 25 guntas in Sy No.40/3,1 acres, 19 guntas in Sy. No. 40/4, 25 guntas in Sy No, 40/5 and 1 acres 29 guntas in Sy No. 40/6, all situated in Yelenahalli Village, Begur Hobli Bangalore South Taluk and converted properties msg 4 acres 2 guntas in Sy No. 49/1 Begur Village Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, in all msg 15 acres 17 guntas, bearing municipal No. 21/40/ 1,2,3,4,5,6 and 49/1, now within th limits of Begur Sub Division, BBMP and commonly bounded on the: East by :Peripheral Road, West by: 61 feet wide Road, North by : Tank and Private Land
South by : Private Land

Schedule 'B' Property : An undivided share, rights, title and interest of 470 sft of land comprised in Schedule 'A' property.

Schedule 'C' Property: All that piece and parcel of residential apartment Flat No. E3-504 in 5th Floor, Block E3, msg 1410 sft of Super Built up Area, (ie. 1128 sft of built up area) with three Bed Rooms, in 'SNN Raj Serenity' constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property with one covered car parking in the basement floor bearing No.96.

DETAILS OF E-AUCTION SALE OF SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Reserve Price	EMD to be deposited	Last date for receipt of EMD	Bid increment	Date and Time of E-auction
Rs.93,09,600/-	Rs.9,30,960/-	18.01.2024 upto 5.00 PM	Rs.50,000/-	19.01.2024 11.00 A.M. to 04.00 PM

The Authorised Officer shall have absolute discretion to cancel the e-auction at any point of time, without assigning any reason.

For detailed terms and conditions of the E-auction sale and for E-Auction tender document containing online e-auction Bid Form, Declaration etc, please refer to the link provided in (1)www.sbi.co.in, (2) www.mstcecommerce.com and (3) www.ibapi.in.

Date: 14.12.2023
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer & Chief Manager,
State Bank of India,
Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru

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POSSESSION NOTICE [Section 13(4)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas: the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **25.09.2023** calling upon the **Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor 1) M/s. Kal Engineering,** No. 3, Sy No 8/1C, Nadakerappa Industrial Area, Herohalli Village, Bangalore-560091. **2) Mrs. Meghana B S,** W/o. Prasanna Kumar D S, residing at No. 40, 2nd Main, Karnataka Layout, Basaveshwaranagar 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560079, **3) Sri. Prasanna Kumar D S,** S/o. Sri Srinivas Gowda D K, residing at No. 5, 2nd B Main Road, Nanjappa Layout, Bangalore-560090 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. 2,19,75,064.98** (Rupees Two Crore Nineteen Lakh Seventy Five Thousand and Sixty Four and Paisa Ninety Eight only), as on 24.09.2023 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **16th day of December of the year 2023.**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs. 2,19,75,064.98** (Rupees Two Crore Nineteen Lakh Seventy Five Thousand and Sixty Four and Paisa Ninety Eight only), as on 24.09.2023 and interest, legal and other charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property : Item No. I : All that piece and parcel of the Northern Portion of Site No.03, BBMP Khata No.1965/1/03, (carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No.8/1C, vide conversion Order bearing No. B.DIS/ALN/ SR(N)139/1993-94 dated 25/05/1994) situated at Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, earlier within the jurisdiction of Herohalli Gram Panchayat & assigned Khaneshumari No.1963/1, 1964/2 & 1965/3, Herohalli Ward, Ward No.72, Behind Nadkeerappa Industrial Estate, Veerabhadreshwara Nagar, Herohalli, Yeshwanthpura Hobli,Bangalore - 560091, measuring East to West 74 feet and North to South 26.5 feet, in all measuring 1961 sq.ft. with building constructed thereon and **bounded on the : East by :** Sri. Krishnappa property, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property No. 2 belongs to Sri. M. Venkatesh, **South by :** Remaining portion of Property No. 3.

Item No. II : All that piece and parcel of the Southern Portion of Site No.03, BBMP Khata No. 1965/03, (carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No. 8/1C, vide conversion Order bearing No. B.DIS/ALN/SR(N)139/1993-94 dated 25.05.1994) situated at Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, earlier within the jurisdiction of Herohalli Gram Panchayat & assigned Khaneshumari No.1963/1, 1964/2 & 1965/3, Herohalli Ward, Ward No.72, Behind Nadkeerappa Industrial Estate, Veerabhadreshwara Nagar, Herohalli, Yeshwanthpura Hobli,Bangalore - 560091, measuring East to West 74 feet and North to South 26.5 feet, in all measuring 1961 sq.ft. and **bounded on the : East by :** Sri. Krishnappa property, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Remaining portion of the property bearing Site No. 03 belongs to Sri Shanthilal Savaji, **South by :** Land in Sy.No. 8/2 belongs to Sri T.N.Ramesh.

Date : 16.12.2023
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
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LOST

I, **Ashwin .A. Menon**, S/o Ashok Kumar. M. Menon, the undersigned, do hereby state that I have lost the Original Sale Deed bearing No.16109, dated 24-11-1997 pertaining to the property bearing Sy. Nos. 25/1, 31/1, totally measuring 0.22.3 Hr. Situated at Badathepalli Village, Dharmapuri District, Krishnagiri Registration District, Hosur Taluk, Tamilnadu, bounded on the: **East by:** Dry Land Unit No.207, **West by:** Dry Land Unit No.209, **North by:** Vacant Land, **South by:** Cart Track.

If any one find out the same may kindly be handed over to the under signed.

ASHWIN A. MENON
Villa No.193, JRC Palladio, Sarjapura, Bangalore-562125. Ph: 9886708232.

PUBLIC NOTICE

(LOSS OF ORIGINAL SALE DEEDS)

It is informed to the public that my client Mrs. PUSHPA. L.A, aged about 28 years, W/o. Mr. Ravi Kumar. K.V, residing at Kanakanagar, 3rd Cross, Opp: Water Tank, Hoskote Town, Bangalore Rural Dist has sworn to an Affidavit before me on 16.12.2023 and filed a complaint with police on 14.12.2023, for having lost her Original Absolute Sale Deeds on 13.12.2023 bearing Document No. 1355/98-99 and Sale Deed Document No. HSK-1-03964-2005-06, CD NO. HSKD78, both regd. in the office of the Sub Registrar, Hoskote, pertaining to Eastern Portion of Site No. 7, Old Katha No. 6293/3705/2648-A, Municipal New Katha No. 7518/1, Sir. M. Viveshwaraiah Layout, Ganagalur Road, Hoskote Town, Bangalore Rural Dist., measuring East to West: 20 feet and North to South: 30 sq. feet, in totally measuring 600 sq. feet, which were kept in the bike parked near KEB Circle, Hoskote, Bangalore Rural Dist, and went for buying vegetables. After return, she found that the above documents are missing from bike and not to be traced.

The finders of the above original document are requested to return the same to my below-mentioned address within 7 days.

K.B.Sadha Shivappa,
Advocate & Notary,
Office at No: 300/2, Near Sri Ram Hospital, Opp: traffic Police Station, Old Madras Road, K.R.Puram, BANGALORE-560 036.
Mobile: 9845460976/ 9844078760
Date: 16.12.2023 Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the General Public that my client is intent to purchase the Schedule property from **VIDYA SUDHAKAR** W/o. Sudhakar H Shastry Those who have any valid title, right, claim or interest in the Schedule Property may notify the under signed furnishing full particular with supporting documents within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice, if no such objection is received, my client will purchase the Schedule property as the same is free from all claims / encumbrance and no claim shall be entertained.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Northern Portion of Property bearing No.G-6, Khata No. 358/368/G-6/344/1, formed in Sy No.58/5, 59/2, 62/2, in the layout formed by KSRTC Employees Co-operative Housing Society limited, situated at Chikkalasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West on Northern Side 40 feet and on Southern Side 25 feet and North to South on Eastern Side 24 feet on Western Side 25 feet, In all ad-measuring 796.25 sq feet, consisting of 700 sq. feet of RCC built in Basement reserved for parking and 700 sq feet of RCC built in Ground Floor, 700 sq. feet of RCC built in First Floor, 700 sq. feet of RCC built in Second Floor, 700 sq. feet of RCC built in Third Floor, totally measuring 3500 Sq. feet of RCC built House in Basement, Ground, First, Second and Third floor, presently under the Jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike and Bounded on:

East by : Road
West by : Road
North by : Site No. G-13
South by : Southern portion of Property No. G-6

A.GIRISHWARA, Advocate
No.55, Mayura Nivas, 3rd Cross, 4th Main Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.

DOCUMENTS LOST

This to inform the general public that my client **CHANDRAKUMAR**, residing at No. 92, 3rd Main, 13th Cross, Vyalikaval, Bangalore states that on 24-11-2022, while he was travelling near Sadashivanagar, he have lost the document of Allotment Letter pertaining to Site No. 1666 situated at Banashankari BDA Layout, (BSK 6th Stage), 5th Block, Bengaluru, allotted by BDA, measuring East to West 18 meters and north to South 12 meters, totally measuring 216 sq mts, vide Doc. No. BDA/DS-1/1666/BLK-5/BSK.6/2002-03. Sale Deed Dated: 02-05-2005 registered as Doc. No. BDA-1-01480/2005-06, stored in CD. No. BDAD87.

Inspite of his best efforts he could not trace the same and in this regard on 24-11-2022, he had lodged online complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru City, Vide Lost Report No. 0394597/2022. If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or to the below mentioned address

SHYAMSUNDAR, Advocate
No. A-301, 3rd Floor, Brigade Majestic, Gandhinagar, Bangalore-560 009.
Mobile: 98440 28287

PUBLIC NOTICE

it is stated that my client VT Munivenkatappa, S/o Thamayyappa, R/at #08, Veerasagara Village, Yalahanka Taluk, Bangalore-64 States That Cases have been filed at Bengaluru Rural Senior Civil Judges and High Court of Karnataka for declaration of title and ownership with respect to survey numbers 23/3 extent 0-33G, 23/4, extent 1A-25G, 23/6 extent 0-13 G of Attur Village, Yalahanka Taluk, Bangalore Vide Case number O.S.1318/2021 at 3rd Additional senior Civil Judge Bengaluru Rural, O.S. 916/2020 at 2nd Additional Senior Civil Judge Bengaluru Rural O.S.1809/2023 at 4th Additional Senior Civil Judge Benglauru Rural and writ Petition W.P. 4771/2020 at the Honourable High Court of Karnataka. The Honourable High Court has also passed and interim order in the said Case,

All the above mentioned cases are with respect to survey numbers 23/3, 23/4 and 23/6 of Attur Village, Yalahanka Taluk, Bangalore and are still Pending to be decided by the Honourable courts for declaration of title and ownership.

Therefore This Public Notice intends to bring to the notice of public that any forms of transaction such as absolute sale Deeds, Agreements, Gift deeds etc.., Should not be made/ carried on the above mentioned properties.

My Client will not be in any way responsible to any forms of such transactions of sales and agreements with correspondents to survey numbers 23/3, 23/4 and 23/6 of Attur Village, Yalahanka Taluk, Bangalore and Strict Suitable Legal Action will be taken against those involved in such acts

C. SHANKAR REDDY, Advocate
#Office at No.16, 6th Main Road, Gandhi Nagar, Bangalore- 560 009,
Mob: 8660649768.

IN THE COURT OF THE 3rd ADDITIONAL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU
O.S No. 730/2022

BETWEEN: 01. Mr. Peter Melvin D'Cunha, aged about 49 years, S/o late Ignatius Richard D'Cunha, R/o Kogilu, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560 064. Rep. by his GPA holder and brother Mr. Denzil D'Cunha, S/o late Ignatius Richard D'Cunha. **02. Mrs. Cheryl D'Cunha,** aged about 63 years, D/o late Ignatius Richard D'Cunha, R/o Kasturinagar, Bangalore-560 043. **03. Mr. Denzil D'Cunha,** aged about 67 years, S/o late Ignatius Richard D'Cunha, R/o Kogilu, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560 064. ... **PLAINTIFFS**

AND: 01. Mr. Phydel D'Cunha, aged about 61 years, S/o late Ignatius Richard D'Cunha, R/o Orchid Enclave, No. 35/A-13, Seegahalli, Virgo Nagar Post, Bangalore 560 049. **02. Mewrll D'Cunha @Mrs. Meera Roy,** aged about 53 years, D/o late Ignatius Richard D'Cunha, W/o Victor Roy, R/o SLS Spencer Apartments, Hormavu Agara, Bangalore-560 043. ... **DEFENDANTS**

SUMMONS/NOTICE FOR SERVICE (UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 OF CPC)

TAKE NOTICE THAT, any person/ firm/ institution/ company/ Bank/ financial institution having any claim/lien/right/ interest over the "SCHEDULE PROPERTY" which is more fully particularized herein below by way of inheritance, share, sale, agreement, mortgage, lease, lien, license, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or encumbrance howsoever or otherwise in Case No. (O.S No. 730/2022) now pending before the 3rd Additional Senior Civil Judge at the Court of the City Civil & Sessions Judge, Bangalore.

Whereas, in the above case, it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Court that the above named defendants cannot be served in an ordinary way. Wherefore, the defendants in the above suit are hereby summoned to appear before this Honourable Court in person or by a pleader on **20/12/2023** at **11:00 A.M** to answer the same failing which the suit will be disposed of placing you ex-parte.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Site No.350, 9th Main Road, Survey No.H-13, Halagevodera Halli, 1st stage, Ideal Homes Layout, Raja Rajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore-560098, measuring East to West (83-80)/2 North to South (38+40)/2 totally measuring 3178.5 Sq. Ft, and bounded as follows: **East by:** Site No.357, **North by:** Site No.351, **South by:** Site No.349, **West by:** 9th Main Road.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.35, measuring 20 Guntas, situated at Seeghehalli Village, KR Puram Hobli, Earlier Bangalore South, presently Bangalore East Taluk, and bounded as follows: **East by:** Doraiswamy's Property, **North by:** R.T. Jaganath's and R.T. Vishwanath's Property, **South by:** Gabrelappa and Venkatra Monappa's property, **West by:** R.T. Jaganath's and R.T. Vishwanath's property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of dry lands in Plot No 134 measuring 1 ground(measuring 2400 Sq. Ft) and Plot No.135 measuring 1 ground and 287 square feet (measuring 2687 Sq. Ft) totally two grounds and 287 Sq. Ft (measuring 5987 Sq. Ft) in "Varalakshmi Nagar" layout bearing Survey No.223/5K (Part) of No.04, Nallur Village, Ponneri Taluk, Chingleput District within the jurisdiction of Ponneri Submitted-Registration District of Chingleput Registration District bounded as follows: **East by:** 30 feet layout Road, **North by:** 30 feet layout, **South by:** Plot No.106 and 105, **West by:** Plot No.133.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 13/12/2023

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge's Court, Bangalore Rural Dist, Bangalore.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby notified that, my client **Dr. Sudha C.P,** W/o H. M. Kempegowda, D/o C.M. Prasad, is the absolute owner in exclusive possession and enjoyment of the residential house property morefully described in the schedule hereunder, having acquired the same under the registered gift deed dated 27.05.2020 executed by her father C.M. Prasad, who in turn acquired the same under the absolute sale deed dated 17.06.2019 executed by its owner Sri. P. Jaiganesh My client is intending to demolish 45 years old construction to construct new building over the schedule property.

Any general public is having any claim/s, the same may be sent, supported by authenticated documents to the following address **within 7 days** from the date of publication of this notice. Failing which, my client will proceed to demolish old structure and take up new construction over the schedule property, taking into consideration that, there is no claim/s whatsoever from anybody.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing municipal no. new 62/1, (old No.135), situated at 7th Main Road, 5th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, PID No.58-107-62/1, measuring East to West: 45 feet and North to South: 38 feet in all measuring 1710 sq. ft. consisting of old residential house constructed more than 45 years ago having super builtup area of 1300 Sq. ft. bounded on the **East by :** Eastern half portion of Site no.135 (municipal no.62), **West by :** Site No.96, **North by:** 40th Cross Road and, **South by:** Site no.134.

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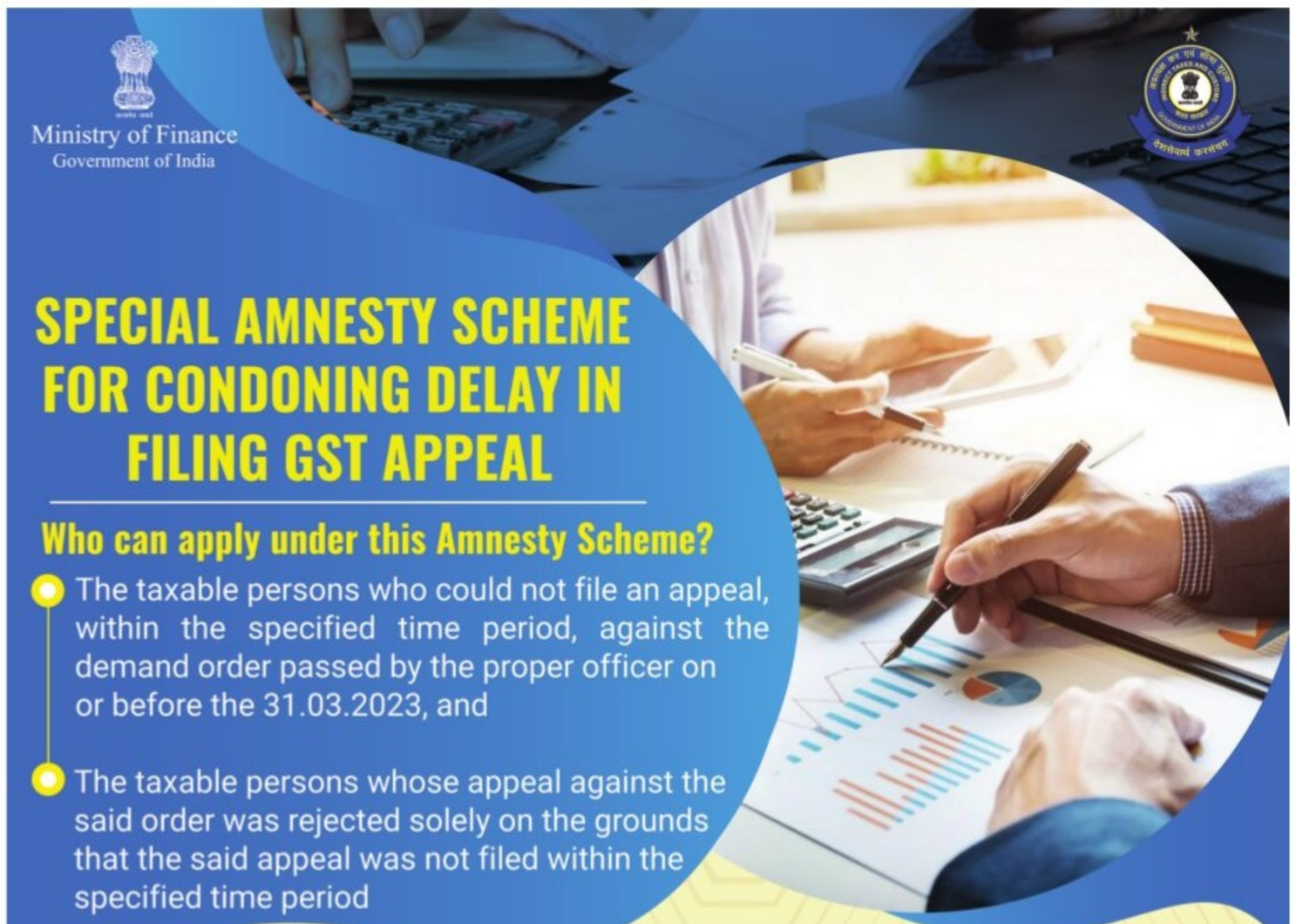

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REGIONAL OFFICE - WEST

[Format-Y] E-Auction Sale Notice under SARFAESI Act 2002

SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTIONS OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2022 (HEREINAFTER TO AS THE ACT)

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower's and Guaranton's particular that the under mentioned property mortgaged to **Canara Bank, Bangalore,** the possession of which had been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank under Section 13(4) of the Act will be sold by E-Auction as mentioned below for recovery of under mentioned dues and applicable interest, Charges and cost elcas detailed below.

The Property described below is being sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE IS AND WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS"** under rule no.8 & 9 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules (hereinafter referred to as the rulee) for the recovery of the dues detailed as under:

Branch Address : Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Yeshwanthpur Branch,

1) Name and Address of Borrower : Sri. Prem Singh S/o Jagati Dan, Princeville Apartment, Flat no. 1303, 13th Floor, "C" Wing, Mylasandra Village, Kengari, Bangalore - 560060, **Sri. Prem Singh** S/o Jugati Dan, Adarsh Mohalla, Panchpadra, Barmer, Panchpadra City, Rajasthan - 344032. **Guarantors: Smt. Durgesh Kunwar** W/o Prem Singh, Princeville Apartment, Flat No. 1303, 13th Floor, "C" Wing, Mylasandra Village, Kengeri, Bangalore-560060, **Smt. Durgesh Kunwar** W/o Prem Singh, Adarsh Mohalla, Pachpadra, Barmer, Pachpadra City, Rajasthan 344032.

The Total Amount Due : Rs. 74,99,864.35/- (Rupees Seventy Four Lacs Ninty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Four and Paise Thirty Five only) as on 15/12/2023 together with further interest, costs and expenses as applicable.

Description of the immovable/ movable assets : Residential Flat No-1303 on 13th floor measuring about 1495 sq. ft super built up area, consisting of 3 bed rooms in "C" Wing including proportionate share in common area such as passage, loggies, staircase contained in the residential apartment complex known as "PRINCEVILLE APARTMENT", Mylasandra Village, Kengeri, Bengalore-560060 and **bounded by East by:** Flat no C-1302; **West By:** Open space; **North By:** Open space; **South By:** Open space

Known encumbrances, if any : Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

The details regarding E-Auction are Mentioned below:

Date and Time of E-Auction	10.01.2024 Time : 10.00 AM to 12.30 PM	
Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
	Rs. 74,86,000/-	Rs. 7.49 Lacs
Bid Factor	Rs. 50,000/-	
Date & Time of Inspection	08.01.2024, 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM.	

2) Name and Address of Borrower : Sri. Rajeev M Chandan S/o Manju N Chandan No. 27/2, 3rd Main, 3rd Cross, Mathikere Extension, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560054 **Guarantor : Sri. Lokesh G** No. 161, 4th Block, D B Sandra, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560013.

The Total Amount Due : Rs. 16,20,449.26/-(Rupees Sixteen Lacs TwentyThousand Four Hundred Forty Nine and PaiseTwenty Six only) as on 15/12/2023 together with further interest, costs and expenses as applicable.

Description of the immovable/ movable assets : UREM of residential property at site no.1, Mukund meadows, Sy no-96/2 & 96/4, Navarathna Agrahara village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring East to West 70 Feet 11 inches and North to south 40 Feet 3 inches. to tally 2842 Sq. ft and **bounded as follows: East by :** 30-0 Feet road; **West By :** Site No 05; **North By:** Government Road; **South By :** Site No. 02.

The details regarding E-Auction are Mentioned below:

Date and Time of E-Auction	10.01.2024 Time : 10.00 AM to 12.30 PM	
Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
	Rs. 61,13,000/-	Rs. 6.11 lacs
Bid Factor	Rs. 50,000/-	
Date & Time of Inspection	08.01.2024, 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM.	

Details of Auction service provider : M/S CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICS LTD, (CONTACT No. 9480691777/8553643144; E-Mail: eauction@ccsl.co.in. Contact Person Name: MR PAKHARE D D / MR. RAMESH T H

1. The EMD shall be deposited through RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer to the credit of Account Number **209272434, IFSC CODE : CNRB0010428**, respected Accounts Mentioned above before Submitting bids online. EMD can also be paid by way of Pay Order / Demand Draft in favour of **Canara Bank**, Yeshwanthpur Branch payable at Bangalore.
2. The Intending bidders should submit the duly filled in Bid from (format available in the above webiste) along with DD/PO/Quoting the UTR No. NEFT/RTGS remittance towards EMD in a Sealed cover addressed to the Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, above Mentioned Address (Address of AO) so as to reach on or before above mentioned date.
3. Bidders are advised to visit the Bank's website **https://www.indianbankseauction.com** for detailed e-auction notice wherein all the terms and conditions of e-auction sale are surnished. Bidders may also visit the website of service provider or contact them as per the details given above for any clarifications / queries.
4. Intending bidders shall hold a valid Digital Signature Certificate, Active email address and PAN number.
5. The Undersigned has the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any bid or postpone/cancel the sale or modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any discretion to accept or reject any bid or postpone/cancel the sale or modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice and assigning any reason.
6. The sale shall be subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in the Act, Rules and the Conditions Prescribed in the detailed terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice and assigning any reason.
7. For further details contact the **Authorised Officer, Canara Bank**, Above Mentioned address.

Please treat this also as a notice under rule 8(6) o fthe Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s / Mortgar/s of the secured debt mentioned above regarding holding the said sale on the above mentioned date and time if their outstanding dues mentioned above are not re paid in full.

The interested bidders are requested to visit the bank's website for detailed terms and conditions of the auction sale which may be read as part and parcel of this advertisement.

Note: EMD Shall be stipulated at 10% of the reserve Price. *depending upon the asset of movable or immovable or both-retain the respective portion.

Date : 15.12.2023
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

Another draw for Gukesh in Chennai Grand Masters

D Gukesh picked up a second draw in as many days, this time against Arjun Erigaisi in the Chennai Grand Masters. With white pieces and in a rook-knight endgame, both people had no real openings and were happy to shake hands after 32 moves. The draw leaves Erigaisi walking the tightrope with 0.5 points after two rounds. **Sunday's matches:** Parham Maghsoodloo vs D Gukesh, Sjugirov vs Levon Aronian, Eljanov vs Harikrishna, Erigaisi vs Predke.

Cheating allegations will never go away: FIDE deputy-prez Anand

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN
@Chennai

IT'S been years since Viswanathan Anand last played a competitive match in Chennai. You wouldn't know that from the people who had formed an orderly queue to get his autograph on the second day of the Chennai Grand Masters. He still remains as popular as ever even though he has openly embraced the next part of his life. In a freewheeling chat, the 54-year-old spoke about his work at FIDE (he's the deputy president of the world governing body for the board game), why cheating allegations will never go away and more. Excerpts:

On his role as deputy president at FIDE
You get a different perspective. You compete in tournaments all your life but you never see the other side, the people who make it happen. The arbiters... just how the machinery works. I am happy at how I have been able to be part of many projects, notably the Global Chess League, the Olympiad in Mahabalipuram, the Worlds in Kazakhstan... a lot of big events. I think we have done a very good job. Some very positive things... I can't say there's been anything unpleasant.

On cheating allegations that have rocked the world of chess
Cheating allegations have been around for a while. But now, everything goes public very fast. Last year, the (Magnus) Carlsen-Hang (Niemann) thing lit a fire under this topic. Now, it's in the air. We continue to work. It's a technological thing so it means it will never not be solved ever. It will be an arms race which will just keep escalating. But we keep enhancing our steps, measures to fight it.

Viswanathan Anand (L) overlooking the proceedings on Saturday | D SAMPATHKUMAR

On if people who cheat will find new ways to beat the system
That's what I meant when I said it will be an arms race. There will be no final measure. You know how technology shrinks. Once you feel that you have screened for all these things, imagine in a couple of years people will think 'well, you haven't screened for this' because everything has shrunk (in terms of size). It's a problem we will continue to deal with. I don't think it will completely go away.

On is it fair to have a tournament like this to help certain GMs meet targets in order to qualify for the Candidates
Yes, absolutely. If people find out that they need to finish fifth in a tournament to qualify and they focus on finishing fifth rather than winning... is that a violation? I mean, you are supposed to play for first place. If a player is content with fifth, he's content with fifth. It's the same thing. Within the rules if you organise a tournament... I don't see a problem with this at all.

On India's golden generation and the next few years
It's clear that all of them are comfortable when they play against the world's top five or top 10. There's nothing to suggest they are out of place. They are a stable golden generation (in that aspect). In two-three years, we could have 2-3 of them in the top-20 consistently and we wouldn't bat an eyelid. I don't know (what has led to the rise of so many very talented teens in a very short time). When I started the Westbridge-Anand Academy, I thought it would be great to get there in four-five years. But, boom, we have got there in two-three years as many of them have started to break through. So it has happened much faster.

Post WC, India begin afresh

GOMESH S @Chennai

THE last time KL Rahul was on the cricket field, wearing India colours, he was on his knees, ruing the loss against Australia in the World Cup final. While it is not easy to recover from such a heartbreak loss, Rahul would have left it behind and start anew as he is set to lead India in the three-match ODI series against South Africa that begins in Johannesburg on Sunday.

After all, it will be, not just his, but also India's first assignment in the 50-over format since the global event. And the team will be without the likes of Virat Kohli, Rohit Sharma and Hardik Pandya for the this particular assignment. Since the ODI WC ended, all the conversation has shifted to the T20 format, and understandably so. The next ICC event in 50-over is two years away and there is a T20 WC to be played in mid 2024. Which is why, despite the excitement around watching the younger players who have broke into the Indian white-ball setup, there might not be a 'bigger picture' to look forward to in this series. That includes the captaincy.

The skipper for the three ODIs, Rahul, said as much. "I think it is too early to look at the bigger picture when it comes to ODI cricket," he said in a pre-match press conference. "For now, the focus obviously is on the T20 World Cup that is around the corner and there is not a lot of cricket left for Indian team in terms of T20Is. Test cricket, always remains a very important format for our country so focus is on the Test matches as well, having said that, we are here to compete in the ODI format against SA. For us, the focus will be on what is in front of us, try and win the series."

While there is not much context to what happens in this series, that doesn't mean there aren't anything to look forward to. The likes of B Sai Sudharsan and Rinku Singh might get to show what they can do in this format. Sai Sudharsan might open the batting with Ruturaj Gaikwad with Shreyas Iyer, KL Rahul and Sanju Samson likely to fill the middle-order. Rahul, however, doesn't want to add any extra pressure. "To expect them to go out and play the way Rohit Sharma or Virat Kohli played in the World Cup will be too soon. You have to give them their time and you make them feel comfortable," he said.

There is a Test series to be won, for which the senior players will be getting ready with head coach Rahul Dravid on the sidelines of the ODI leg. And whether Rohit or Kohli will continue in the format is a question for the next home series. For now, all Rahul would want to do is continue what Suryakumar Yadav has done with the T20I team. Turn up on the day, put on a show and go back with a win.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Focus shifts to 50-overs

Before the big battle begins, India take on South Africa in a three-match ODI series. A look...

EYES ON SAI SUDHARSAN
The left-handed batter from Tamil Nadu has seen a meteoric rise in the last 12 months, and is likely to get his India cap, opening the batting with Ruturaj Gaikwad in the first ODI on Sunday. Should he do, how he makes the most of his opportunity will be crucial for India as well as Sai Sudharsan's international career.

WHAT ABOUT SAMSON?
With captain KL Rahul donning the gloves and batting in the middle-Order, the role of Sanju Samson, who is making a comeback, becomes a question. Is he a backup keeper, or a middle-order batter, especially if Suryakumar Yadav is not fit to play, is something we will have to wait and watch.

LITMUS TEST FOR MARKRAM
Although he has led the team in the past, in what will be their first ODI assignment since the World Cup, Aiden Markram will be captaining the 50-over side and not Temba Bavuma. The way the team performs under him and against India could start a new chapter for South Africa in white-ball cricket.

INDIA VS SOUTH AFRICA, FIRST ODI, JOHANNESBURG
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MP all-rounder, who has toiled hard in every step of the way, helps India secure big victory

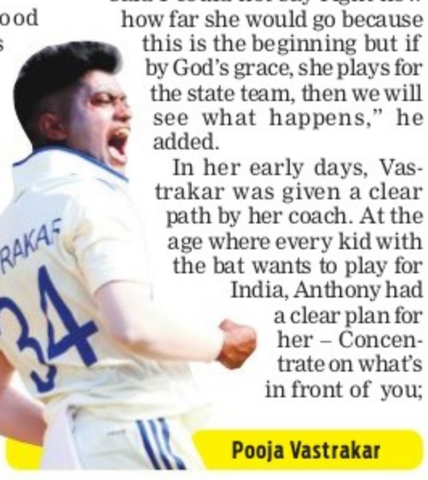
POOJA ANSWERS HOSTS PRAYERS

KALYANI MANGALE @Navi Mumbai

HOW do you break a slowing-moving partnership that is looking increasingly threatening with every passing delivery? Well, you take your chances when they come. It may come in the form of a sharp catch or magic ball that does something off the pitch or a skillful runout that cuts the momentum.

If you have someone like Pooja Vastrakar at your disposal, you trust her to do her thing because history has shown that Vastrakar can change the course of the game in seconds. That is exactly what happened when she completed a run out of Tammy Beaumont in the first innings of the one-off Test match against England at the DY Patil Stadium in Navi Mumbai.

Vastrakar's childhood coach, Aril Anthony, is not even surprised that she has pulled off those many crucial runouts for India over the years. He even remembers a story from when Vastrakar was an 11-year-old talented kid from Rewa, Madhya Pradesh. "When she started with us at age 11, we took a team from Rewa to Bhopal. She was one of the youngest players in our team. The opposition team from Bhopal had more experienced players," Anthony recalls. "They watched her bowl and field and were extremely impressed. Many players from that team asked me if they could have Pooja playing for Bhopal. I said we have just started building our team. How can this happen? (laughs) Even the opposition players were in awe of her talent at that early stage tells you a lot about her talent. And they also said she will go very far in her career. I said I could not say right now how far she would go because this is the beginning but if by God's grace, she plays for the state team, then we will see what happens," he added.



Pooja Vastrakar

In her early days, Vastrakar was given a clear path by her coach. At the age where every kid with the bat wants to play for India, Anthony had a clear plan for her – Concentrate on what's in front of you; do not daydream about playing for India. "I have always said that you have to go through steps. It cannot happen that you go from first and second class to 12th class directly. You have to follow the procedure. You have to climb that ladder steadily. Whatever the first level of your challenge is, whether it's district level or division level, you have to prove yourself at that stage. Once you do that, the doors will open for you," the proud mentor told this daily.

That discipline and hard work of all these years paid off when the 19-year-old made her debut for India in 2018. Four years later, in the ODI World Cup fixture against Pakistan, she stood up for her side with a partnership of 122 with Sneh Rana. Injury setbacks kept her in and out of the playing XIs for the longest time, but when the time came to make most of the home conditions, newly appointed head coach Amol Muzumdar and captain Harmanpreet Kaur made sure Vastrakar was part of the playing XI. While she remained unbeaten with the bat, her feisty spell with the ball dismissed England captain Heather Knight.

In the second innings, Vastrakar was on fire with the ball. Her line and length were persistent throughout her spell. Sophia Dunkley was tempted by Vastrakar to cut only to be caught by Harleen Deol at gully. Then came Natalie Sciver-Brunt. With the perfect length ball outside off, Vastrakar threaded the ball back in through the gap between bat and pad to dislodge England vice-captain's stumps on her very first ball. All of a sudden, India could smell a victory. And England's long-ish tail was exposed to face the wrath of Vastrakar, who finished with 3/23 in four overs as India registred a record 347-run win, bundling out England for 131 within the first session on Saturday.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

SCOREBOARD

India Women (1tst innnings) **428;** (2nd innings) **186/6 in 42 ovs** (decl. o/n); **England** (1st innings): **136 in 35.3 ovs;** 2nd Innings **(T: 479 runs):** Dunkley c sub (H Deol) b Vastrakar 15, Beaumont b Renuka 17, Knight c Bhatia b Vastrakar 21, Sciver-Brunt b Vastrakar 0, Wyatt c Rana b Sharma 12, Jones c Shafali b Sharma 5, Ecclestone b Gayakwad 10, Dean (n.o) 20, Cross b Sharma 16, Filer b Sharma 0, Bell c Rodrigues b Gayakwad 8; **Extras:** (B 5, LB 2) 7; **Total:** (all out in 27.3 ovs) 131; **FoW:** 1-27, 2-37, 3-37, 4-68, 5-68, 6-83, 7-83, 8-108, 9-108, 10-131; **Bowling:** Renuka 6-1-30-1, Sneh 4-0-19-0, Vastrakar 4-1-23-3, Sharma 8-2-32-4, Gayakwad 5.3-1-20-2.

What was I made for? Test cricket

KALYANI MANGALE @Navi Mumbai

India Women celebrate after beating England counterparts | SPORTZPICS

"I HOPE they continue with the good performances. It will go a long way in cementing the future of women's cricket in India," Shantha Rangaswamy, the captain who won India their first Test match on home soil back in 1976, had told this daily before the start of the Test match against England.

For someone who has seen Indian women's cricket go from Test series to one-off matches over the decades, Shantha knew how vital this opportunity was — not just for the present bunch of players who had not had the opportunity in years but also for the coming generation who might want to make a case for more chances.

Since the 2022 ODI World Cup in New Zealand, a generation of players who laid down the foundation of professionalism in women's cricket, who fought too many battles on multiple fronts have been fading into the sunset one by one. Slowly the names that made many fall in love with women's game called their time — Jhulan Goswami and Mithali Raj for India or Anya Shrubsole or Katherine Sciver-Brunt for England, Katey Martin and Amy Satterthwaite for New Zealand and many more. During the early days of their careers, these cricketers did not get regular white-ball fixtures, Tests were even harder. That is why Katherine, who has played most Tests from that era, has 14 caps.

With these foot-soldiers of professionalism retired from international cricket, the generation that followed is only now getting to see the glory days — whether it is the South African crowd getting behind the home team in the T20 WC final earlier this year or the tickets for the WPL final getting sold within hours. "We didn't get that many opportunities (early) when we were playing cricket, especially if we are talking about Test cricket," said a candid Harmanpreet Kaur said after India's first win on home soil in nine years.

"I hope the new generation gets many more Tests. We have quite a busy schedule with T20Is and ODIs, but Tests are something that teaches you a lot of patience and helps you improve your skills. If we get more Tests, that will improve us as players."

Jemimah Rodrigues, who has found it difficult to get her rhythm going on home turf in white-ball cricket over the years, flourished in the first innings. Pooja Vastrakar, who has seen many ups and downs in her career, was on song with the ball in the second innings. Kaur herself probably learned about different aspects of leadership on her captaincy debut in the Test than she would have in many white-ball fixtures. Test cricket matters because it demands focus on every aspect of the game. It either brings out the best version of the player or humbles them with complete brutality. India's victory, in less than three days, highlights the first part.

Earlier this year, singer-songwriter Billie Eilish produced a song called 'What Was I Made For?' for the movie — Barbie. The lyric of the song goes, 'Cause I, cause I, I don't know how to feel. But I wanna try. I don't know how to feel. But someday I might. Someday I might'. For nine members of the Indian playing XI in this match, these words reflected the reality as they had no experience of playing a Test at home. The seven sessions over the past three days had given them a win, countless memories of playing in whites, and the confidence to stand up again in this format.

It also gave the answer to the question 'What was I made for' in their case. And it's simple. They are made for building innings. They are made for tactical gambits. They are made for setting up the batter. They are made for waiting patiently to get back on track. They are made for long spells. They are made for toiling through sessions. In short, they are made for Test cricket and they deserve more of it.

9/39 Deepti Sharma surpassed Harmanpreet Kaur to register the best match figures by an Indian spinner in Tests.

Natasha's talent on show

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @Chennai

FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD Natasha Chetan of Karnataka won the national girls' sub-junior billiards event by defeating Aanya Patel of Gujarat 143-107 in the final of the 90th national billiards and snooker championships held at the Nehru Indoor Stadium here on Friday.

Natasha, who is one of the talented youngsters in the country, has been trying to raise the bar by participating in higher age-group tournaments and winning them too.

"Any win is always amazing, including this one. It's an amazing feeling to win the national sub-junior billiards title and I look forward to a few more in this category'' an elated Natasha told this daily. "I have been in a couple finals now and you're always under a certain amount of pressure regardless of the opponent. I played against Aanya of Gujarat and we have been competing with each other for quite a few years now. It's nice to have peers who drive you to be better." Although she is known more for her exploits in snooker, she excelled in billiards too on Saturday. "Well, I think the reason for my win is good coaching, amazing support from my parents and coach Pranit Ramchandani who has been an incredible mentor, guide and friend from the moment I picked up my cue."

Natasha held her first cue when she was 10 after seeing her mother play the game at a Bengaluru club. She developed a liking for the game and has made a steady progress.

Results: Sub-junior billiards: Girls: Final: Natasha Chetan (Kar) bt Aanya Patel (Guj) 143-107. **3rd Place:** L Shruthi (TN) bt Sanvi Shah (MP) 129-114.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

KOTHARI IN FINAL

Sourav Kothari (PSPB) got the better off Md Hussain Khan (RSPB) in the semifinal of the 15-Red snooker event at the ongoing National Billiards & Snooker Championships here. Kothari will face Paresh Gupta (DEL) in the final | D SAMPATHKUMAR

EXPRESS READ

Veteran pacer Shami to miss SA Tests

MUMBAI: India will not have the services of pacer Mohammed Shami in their quest to register a maiden Test series win in South Africa as he was on Saturday ruled out of the two-match series after the medical team did not clear him. Pace-bowling all-rounder Deepak Chahar was also withdrawn from the ODI squad.

Ayush vs Sathish in Odisha Masters final

CUTTACK: Ayush Shetty edged out Indonesia's Alwi Farhan 19-21, 21-14, 22-20 in a thrilling three-game match to set up an all-Indian final against Sathish Kumar Karunakaran at the Odisha Masters Super 100 badminton tournament here on Saturday.

India lose to Spain in bronze medal playoff

KUALA LUMPUR: India's hopes of redeeming some pride in the junior men's hockey World Cup remained only a dream as they lost 1-3 to Spain in the bronze medal playoff here on Saturday.

Crystal Palace fight back to frustrate Man City

AGENCIES @Manchester

MANCHESTER CITY were held 2-2 by Crystal Palace at the Etihad Stadium in the Premier League on Saturday. This is a massive blow for Pep Guardiola's men before they go for Club World Cup assignment.

After Jack Grealish and Rico Lewis had handed them 2-0 lead, it seemed like City would get a routine win. However, Palace fought back with Jean-Philippe Mateta and Michael Olise finding the back of the net. City are now three points behind leaders Liverpool, having played one more game.

While City had a day to forget, Chelsea and Newcastle recorded much-needed wins.

Results: Saturday: Chelsea **2-0** Sheffield; Man City **2-2** Palace; Newcastle 3-0 Fulham; Bouremouth **1-1** Luton (Suspended). Saturday: Forest **0-2** Tottenham.

Luton Town's Tom Lockyer receives treatment during the match against Bournemouth on Saturday. Match was cancelled after Lockyer collapsed on the pitch in the second half when the teams were locked at 1-1 | AP

Haryana clinch Vijay Hazare title

ENS @Chennai

Riding on Sumit Kumar's all-round show (28 n.o & 3/34), Haryana beat Rajasthan by 30 runs to win their maiden Vijay Hazare title. Batting first, Haryana posted 278/8, thanks to Ankit Kumar's 88 before dismissing Rajasthan to 257, securing a special victory. **Brief scores:** Haryana 278/8 in 50 ovs (Ankit 88, Ashok Menaria 70) **bt** Rajasthan 257 in 48 ovs (Abhijeet Tomar 106, Sumit 3/34, Harshal 3/47).

HOW INSURGENCY BUILT UP IN THE VALLEY

Feb 11, 1984: JKLF founder Maqbool Butt executed in Tihar jail more than 15 years after he was sentenced to death. Hanged to death a week after Indian diplomat M H Mahtre was kidnapped in Birmingham by terrorists claiming to belong to the Kashmir Liberation Army demanding Butt's release. Mahtre was killed by his captors on Feb 6, 1984

Sept 14, 1989: Tika Lal Taploo, leading lawyer and senior vice-president of BJP's J&K unit shot dead by masked terrorists outside his residence at Habba Kadal in old city of Srinagar

November 4, 1989: Retired HC judge Neelkantha Ganjoo shot dead by JKLF militants in upscale Srinagar market. As sessions judge, Ganjoo had awarded the death sentence to Maqbool Bhat in August 1968 in a case related to the murder of police officer Amar Chand in 1966

Dec 8, 1989: Rubiya Sayeed, 23, daughter of Union home minister Mufti Mohammed Sayeed, abducted in Srinagar. Kidnappers demand release of terrorists from prison in exchange for her release

Dec 13, 1989: Govt yields, frees five terrorists. Rubiya Sayeed released. Govt weakness gives terrorists the handle to scale up insurgency

January 19, 1990: Kashmiri Pandits start fleeing the Valley after brutal attacks by terrorists

Jan 21, 1990: 32 people killed and many others injured when security forces open fire to disperse mobs that defied curfew and shoot-at-sight orders during unprecedented violence in Srinagar

January 25, 1990: IAF personnel, including a squadron leader, gunned down near the Rawalpura housing complex in Srinagar

March 20, 2000: 35 Sikhs taken out of their homes, lined up in front of a gurdwara wall in Chittisinghpora and gunned down by unidentified gunmen

March 24, 2003: Three years after the Chittisinghpora massacre, terrorists sneak into the village again, drag out 24 sleeping Hindus - 11 men, 11 women and 2 infants - and sprayed them with bullets

370 VERDICT

JHATKA OR HALAL?

Sovereignty question

Majority judgment said J&K did not retain any element of sovereignty after the execution of the instrument of accession and the issuance of the proclamation dated 25 November 1949 by which the Constitution of India was adopted. J&K does not have 'internal sovereignty' which is distinguishable from the powers and privileges enjoyed by other states in the country. Article 370 was a feature of asymmetric federalism and not sovereignty. However, Justice Kaul said it did retain a bit of sovereignty

Parliament's powers under Art 356

The power of Parliament under Article 356(1)(b) to exercise the powers of the legislature of the state cannot be restricted to law-making power thereby excluding non-law making power of the legislature. Such an interpretation would amount to reading in a limitation into the provision contrary to the text of the Article

370 temporary

The historical context for the inclusion of Article 370 and the placement of Article 370 in Part XXI of the Constitution of India shows that it is a temporary provision

Scope of Article 370(3)

The power under Article 370(3) did not cease to exist upon the dissolution of the Constituent Assembly of J&K. When the Constituent Assembly was dissolved, only the transitional power recognised in the proviso to Article 370(3) which empowered the Constituent Assembly to make its recommendations ceased to exist. It did not affect the power held by the President under Article 370(3)

Workaround to annul 370 void

Article 370 cannot be amended by exercise of power under Article 370(1)(d). Recourse must have been taken to the procedure contemplated by Article 370(3) if Article 370 is to cease to operate or is to be amended or modified in its application to J&K. Paragraph 2 of Constitution Order 272 by which Article 370 was amended through Article 367 is ultra vires Article 370(1)(d) because it modifies Article 370, in effect, without following the procedure prescribed to modify the Article. An interpretation clause cannot be used to bypass the procedure laid down for amendment

Bhasmasura clause in 370(3)

The President had the power to issue a notification declaring that Article 370(3) ceases to operate without the recommendation of the Constituent Assembly. The continuous exercise of power under Article 370(1) by the President indicates that the gradual process of constitutional integration was ongoing. The declaration issued by the President under Article 370(3) is a culmination of the process of integration and as such is a valid exercise of power. Thus, Constitution Order 273 is valid

Statehood, polls

The Solicitor General stated that J&K's statehood will be restored soon (except for the carving out of the Union Territory of Ladakh). So, no need to determine whether the reorganisation of J&K into two Union Territories of Ladakh and J&K is permissible under Article 3. However, carving out Ladakh UT is legitimate in view of Article 3(a) read with Explanation I. The bench directed the Election Commission of India to conduct elections to the J&K Assembly by 30 September 2024. Restoration of statehood shall take place at the earliest

SOUTH AFRICA

The TRC in South Africa, a court-like body, was formed by then president Nelson Mandela in 1995. It comprised 17 members and was headed by Desmond Tutu, an Anglican cleric and an activist. Was set up to investigate human rights violations perpetrated during the apartheid regime. It provided an excellent platform to both the white minority as well as the black majority to reconcile with their tormenting past.

CHILE

In 1990, the president of Chile established a National Commission for Truth and Reconciliation to probe violations committed during 17 years of military rule. The panel worked for nine months and was able to thoroughly investigate each of the 3,400 cases before it.

EL SALVADOR

The Commission on the Truth for El Salvador was formed after a peace settlement ended the 12-year civil war in the country. The commission operated from July 1992 until March 1993. The panel did not comprise any Salvadorans. Instead, the UN appointed three international figures to the commission.

GLOBAL EXPERIMENTS WITH

WILL TRUTH GET A CHANCE TO FORGE RECONCILIATION IN J&K?

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

ONE of the talking points from the landmark Supreme Court verdict that upheld the abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir, was a recommendation to set up a Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) to heal the wounds of insurgency. The proposal came from Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul who hails from J&K and was part of the five-member Constitution bench that gave a unanimous judgment on the matter. The impartial panel, he said, must be tasked with probing and reporting on human rights violations by both state and non-state actors in J&K since the late 1980s.

Justice Kaul acknowledged that recommending the TRC was beyond the realm of the court, hence he brought it up in the epilogue. "I am of the view that transitional justice, and its constituents, are facets of transformative constitutionalism. Globally, constitutionalism has evolved to encompass responsibility of both state and non-state actors with respect to human-rights violations. This includes the duty to take reasonable steps to carry out investigations of violations. It is in this context that the proposed truth and reconciliation commission accords with constitutionalism," he reasoned.

The judge said J&K's residents suffered heavily when insurgency was at its peak, adding during his travels he observed the consequences of intergenerational trauma on an already fractured society. Truth-telling, he said, would provide an opportunity for the victims to narrate their stories. And acknowledgement by the perpetrators would pave the way for reconciliation.

While he said the wounds need healing, there is apprehension in J&K that the proceeding before the TRC could also end up aggravating the situation and result in opening a Pandora's box. It could also set off demands for similar commissions in, say, Punjab, the Northeast and Naxal-hit areas, say analysts.

Quantifying the forced migration

So, how many people were affected by the insurgency? Government records show that at least 45,000 people, including militants, civilians and security personnel, were slain in J&K ever since the outbreak of militancy in 1989. The Union home ministry's data claims that 64,827 families of Kashmiri Pandits, Sikhs and Muslims migrated out of Kashmir to Jammu, Delhi and elsewhere after militancy erupted.

As per the records of the Relief and Migrant Commissioner in J&K, there are 43,618 registered Kashmiri migrant families in Jammu as of now. Besides, 19,338 families are settled in Delhi and the National Capital Region while 1,995 other families live elsewhere in the country. Civil society and human rights groups allege that 8,000-10,000 youth disappeared from Kashmir after the outbreak of militancy and their fate is still unknown.

What lit the militancy spark

Two bomb blasts in Srinagar on July 31, 1988 are widely seen as the starting point of insurgency in the Valley though there was simmering tension since the beginning of the decade. Triggered by the Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF), the blasts coincided with the withdrawal of Soviet forces from Afghanistan. The explosions also came at a time when there was popular discontent against the ruling Congress-National Conference alliance as there were widespread allegations of assembly poll rigging in 1987.

A year later on December 8, Dr Rubaiya Sayeed, daughter of the then Union home minister Mufti Mohammad Sayeed, was kidnapped by terrorists for ransom - the release of five JKLF detenues. The government succumbed and released five incarcerated militants in exchange for her freedom. It was a game-changer moment for militancy in Srinagar that was controlled by Pakistan's deep state. Terrorism hit the stratosphere. Parallel political muddle made the Valley fully fertile for insurgency. Horrific mass murder of Kashmiri Pandits by terrorists followed, resulting in their exodus.

Back to the TRC, Justice Kaul said, it "should be set up expediently, before memory escapes. The exercise should be time-bound. There is already an entire generation of youth that has grown up with feelings of distrust and it is to them that we owe the greatest duty of reparation." However, given its sensitivities, he left it to the government to devise the manner in which the TRC should be set up and determine the best way forward.

TRC not a new idea

The demand for setting up a TRC is not new. "In the past, calls for setting up a truth and reconciliation commission have also been echoed by different sections of the Valley," says Justice Kaul. For example, National Conference leader Omar Abdullah made TRC part of his party's election manifesto in the 2008 Assembly polls. Omar wanted it to be on the lines of the one set up in South Africa's post-apartheid era. After wresting power and becoming the chief minister in 2009, Omar told the legislative assembly in March 2011 that the time for the TRC had arrived. He also flagged the idea at a National Integration Council meeting in Delhi the same year.

Omar wanted the TRC to have a big Indo-Pak sweep. He suggested that the panel be set up on both sides of the Line of Control as a confidence building measure so that all aspects of militancy like its origin, impact on people, issues of disappearance and migration are fully probed and addressed for reconciliation and healing. He suggested that the panel be headed by an impartial individual who does not have anything to do with J&K's politics.

"The panel would be the only way a son will get answers as to how and why his father disappeared. A Kashmiri Pandit will know why he was forced out of the Valley, and families of the slain workers of the National Conference, Congress, PDP and BJP will get answers as to who targeted them," Omar reasoned. Yet, he failed to build consensus among all stakeholders to constitute the TRC. National Conference spokesman and Omar's close aide Tanvir Sadiq told this newspaper that his party endorses Justice Kaul's view.

In contrast, the PDP was traditionally opposed to it, argue as it did that cut-paste solutions from South Africa would not work in J&K. It instead demanded a justice and reconciliation panel.

Pandora's box

Sanjay Tickoo, president of the influential Kashmiri Pandit Sangarsh Samiti (KPSS) said the TRC is the need of the hour. People across the religious spectrum want justice. Justice Kaul put the ball in the Centre's court without specifying any timeframe for forming the TRC, he said, adding political parties, civil society groups and NGOs should pressure the Union home ministry to set it up as soon as possible.

He, however, was apprehensive that the TRC could end up opening a Pandora's box. "They are not going to punish the security forces. Most of the personnel have anyway retired and some even passed away. The TRC could end up opening the wounds and validating allegations of human rights abuses. Though I want the TRC formed, I think it is unlikely in the present situation," he said.

A political analyst said TRCs have proven to be very effective in creating favourable conditions for reconciliation between erstwhile warring parties. "True reconciliation will help in moral empowerment. It will also hasten conflict resolution and end the bitterness among the communities and parties here," he said.

Ghulam Hassan Mir, former minister and senior vice president of the J&K Apni Party, welcomed the TRC idea. "Fact-finding is very important. How militancy erupted in Kashmir must be probed. If the TRC is set up and it does its job fairly, it will help in presenting history in the right perspective," he said.

However, retired Supreme Court judge Markandey Katju is of the opinion that the Kashmiri Pandits, who were hounded out of Kashmir, will never forget or forgive, and there is no question of their returning to Kashmir. "As regards Kashmiri Muslims, how can they forget and forgive the killing of thousands of their kith and kin (many totally innocent) by security forces?" he said. "Therefore, with great respect to Justice Kaul, whom I hold in very high regard, his proposal is unfeasible and unrealistic."

Senior J&K Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Monga said the TRC should have been set up a long time ago. "If it is formed, we will welcome it. Investigations should not be confined to a particular community but held across the board."

As for the BJP, it welcomed the proposal. "All systems had failed in J&K after the eruption of militancy in 1989. Now that peace has been restored, it is a good step to find out what had happened. Let the truth come out. It will be a confidence building measure," said BJP chief spokesman Sunil Sethi.

Note of caution

"As a word of caution, the Commission, once constituted, should not turn into a criminal court and must instead follow a humanized and personalized process enabling people to share what they have been through uninhibitedly. It should be based on dialogue, allowing for different viewpoints and inputs from all sides," Justice Kaul said. Taking a leaf out of South Africa's book, the principles of "ubuntu", or the art of humanity, and inclusiveness should be central to the process, he added, so as to facilitate a reparative approach. "Whatever has been, has been but the future is ours to see," he signed off.